



## INTERNATIONAL

### Tight security for Direct Action trial

PARIS, Jan 11, (UPI): French authorities had in place an impressive array of security precautions today for the opening of a two-week trial of 19 alleged members of the Direct Action domestic terrorist group.

Virtually the entire Direct Action leadership has been captured and is standing trial, but authorities were taking no chances.

The courtroom in the Palais de Justice has been equipped with blast-proof glass on its windows overlooking the Seine River, and with two glassed-in, defensible boxes for the accused.

Metal detectors have been installed at all public entrances. Policemen and women will closely search visitors in curtailed booths.

As is customary in French terrorism trials, metal crowd-control barriers were set up all around the courthouse on the Ile de la Cite. Multiple police units were to stand by against the possibility of an attack.

Seventy-five gendarmes have been assigned to patrol the 16 km of corridors in the labyrinthine building, while armed policemen were to maintain surveillance on rooftops and in the sewers below.

The defendants include direct action leaders Marc Rouillan, Nathalie Menigon, Joelle Aubron and Georges Cipriani, captured in February in a raid on their isolated hideout in a farmhouse 100 km south of Paris.

### Attack led to US raids on Libya

### Disco bombing woman arrested

BERLIN, Jan 11, (AP): Police have arrested a 27-year-old woman for the Schleswig-Holstein state interior ministry, confirmed that Mrs Endrigkeit had been arrested.

Yes, she was arrested during the night," Mrs Stenkat told the Associated Press in a telephone interview.

#### Link

A Luebeck police spokesman, who declined to give his name, when contacted by telephone, told the AP all queries in the case should be directed to Justice Department spokesman Kaehne in West Berlin.

Kaehne had said Sunday that Mrs Endrigkeit was being "urgently sought" in the case.

Meanwhile, a West Berlin Justice Department spokesman said that a convicted Palestinian linked to the case had visited Libya.

But Volker Kaehne declined to specify what role, if any, the radical North African nation played in the La Belle bombing.

Radio Schleswig-Holstein said that Christina Gabriele Endrigkeit, who was born in West Berlin, was arrested early today along with an unidentified man in the northern Port City of Luebeck.



Two French policemen put steel-barricades to set up a security area near the Paris courthouse. (Reuter wirephoto)

### China unlikely to accept proposal

## Gorbachev offers summit

BEIJING, Jan 11, (Reuter): Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev has called for a summit meeting with China, but Western diplomats say Peking is unlikely to agree to what would be the first such meeting in 29 years.

In an interview with the Chinese weekly *Liaowang* (outlook), published today, Gorbachev reiterated an earlier proposal for a summit with Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping and hinted that this time the Chinese might accept.

"It would be a logical development, in our view, to hold a Soviet-Chinese summit. Judging by all accounts, both sides realize the objective necessity of this," Tass quoted Gorbachev as saying.

A Western diplomat in Beijing said he did not believe the Chinese would agree to a summit at the moment.

"I don't think there will be any change in their public position," he said. This was that Moscow must first remove three foreign-policy obstacles before China could agree to such a meeting.

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The main sticking point is China's insistence that Moscow urge Vietnam to withdraw its troops from Kampuchea, the diplomat said.

China has also demanded a Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan and has long-standing objections to Soviet troop concentrations along the Chinese border.

The official New China News Agency and official newspapers reported the Dec 28 Gorbachev interview but made no mention of the summit proposal.

However, NCNA quoted Vice Premier Tian Jiayu over the weekend as saying that China would like to swap experiences with the Soviet Union on reforms.

The last full summit between the two powers took place in 1959, when Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev went to Beijing to meet China's Chairman Mao Tsetung.

#### Meeting

Sino-Soviet relations cooled in the early 1960s over ideology and foreign-policy differences. The

last senior level meeting took place in 1969, when Soviet Prime Minister Alexei Kosygin met Chinese Premier Chou Enlai at Beijing airport after attending the funeral of Vietnamese leader Ho Chi Minh.

There was no immediate comment from Vietnamese officials on a possible Sino-Soviet summit.

Vietnamese officials have said a return to cozy pre-1960s Sino-Soviet ties would make their country and other small Asian nations nervous, probably causing shifts of foreign policies to guard against any expansion of China's influence in the region.

The Vietnamese, who have fought border wars with the Chinese communists, are strongly supported by the Soviet union.

The Japanese Foreign Ministry also had no immediate comment. A spokesman said Tokyo officials were checking the details of the Gorbachev proposal.

Last month Deng firmly rebuffed the idea of meeting with Gorbachev in Beijing. Moscow

or any other place, saying the Kremlin must first urge Vietnam to withdraw its troops from Kampuchea.

But a senior Soviet envoy said recently he was optimistic a summit could take place and said relations had improved because of last month's US-Soviet agreement to eliminate medium and shorter-range nuclear missiles.

Soviet Foreign Minister Igor Rogachev said in Beijing last month that Moscow and Beijing had developed channels to discuss international issues over the last two years.

In the magazine interview, Gorbachev praised China as playing a key role in world affairs. "We are far from thinking that everything in the world, including East-West relations, depends solely on Moscow and Washington," he declared.

Meanwhile, Czechoslovakia's new Communist Party leader Milos Jakes arrived in Moscow today for his first talks with Gorbachev since his surprise appointment last month.

### Wife burns herself alive

NEW DELHI, Jan 11, (AP): The body of a 28-year-old woman was found next to her husband's funeral pyre, and police said today they are investigating whether she was murdered or killed herself.

Initial reports said the woman may have committed sati, an ancient Hindu ritual in which a widow dies in the flames of her husband's body. But authorities have ruled out the ritual in the death.

"This is certainly a case of either murder or suicide, but not sati," said B.K. Bholia, a police chief.

The United News of India said Mrs Singh allegedly dressed herself as a bride and jumped into the flames consuming her husband's body. The news agency quoted unspecified reports as saying Mrs Singh entered the flames carrying a coconut, an auspicious symbol in the Hindu religion.

**Autopsy**

Nimal Kishore Gupta, a magistrate in the Lalitpur district, told the Associated Press by telephone that an autopsy showed the woman, Shakuntala Singh, died of suffocation.

"She did try to immolate herself but did not succeed. The burn injuries were superficial, but there was blood on her mouth," said Gupta.

Police believe the woman may have poured kerosene on herself but say she may have been murdered to prevent her from sharing property of her dead husband.

Mrs Singh's husband, Harpal Singh, died on Thursday when his motorcycle crashed into a van near the village of Kheria Mishra, 300 kilometres (310 miles) south of New Delhi.

Shakuntala married twice. Shakuntala, his first wife, was sent to another village after failing to bear a child. It was not known if the couple was divorced, but Singh took a second wife who gave birth to four children.

"Shakuntala rarely came here when Singh was alive," said Gupta.

Shakuntala and her brother returned to Kheria Mishra on Friday after learning of Singh's death.

"By the time she reached the village, it was all over. The cremation was complete," said Gupta.

"Her family told us later that Shakuntala was sad and refused to go to bed on Saturday night," said Gupta. "At 3 o'clock Sunday morning Shakuntala left her room and walked to the pyre and never returned."

Her father-in-law found her body the next morning, Gupta said.

### Tight security

RANGOON, Jan 11, (Reuter): Burmese authorities are considering tighter security on passenger trains after Sunday's bomb attack that killed eight people, railway officials said.

The bomb in a crowded second-class compartment of the Mandalay-to-Rangoon Express exploded as the train approached Rangoon central station. A further 40 people were injured.

### Law on secrets

PEKING, Jan 11, (Reuter): China has drawn up a new draft law governing state secrets which would allow information to become "declassified" and publicised after a certain period of time, the official New China News Agency said today.

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## Gulf states have made great strides in social development

KUWAIT'S Minister of Social Affairs and Labour Sheikh Jaber Mubarak Al Hamad, yesterday said that any progress made by an Arab country is a progress for the whole Arab nation.

Sheikh Jaber added, in an address to the meeting of the Arab Gulf social affairs and labour ministers which opened yesterday, that the Arab Gulf states have made great strides towards social and economic development.

The minister expressed regret over the Iraq-Iran war which took the lives and wounded more than one million people, noting that this was drained the human and material resources of both belligerents.

He hailed the Palestinian uprising in the occupied territories against the Israeli repression, affirming full Arab support for the Palestinian cause till victory is achieved.

### Agenda

The Kuwaiti minister said that the agenda of the three-day meeting is full of important and vital issues on both the social and labour levels which were endorsed by social affairs and labour

under-secretaries last October. In conclusion, he expressed hope that the conference would realise success in their assembly to lay the basis for Arab Gulf cooperation and resolve social and labour problems.

Before opening the meeting the ministers met HH the Amir and HH the Crown Prince and Premier Sheikh Saad.

### Achievements

Qatari Minister of Social Affairs and Labour, Ali Bin Ahmad Al Ansari, who is former chairman of the council, reviewed the council's accomplishments during the past two years.

He said such achievements reflect the level of progress of the member states' joint work which is targeted to the interest of the Gulf Arab society.

Also addressing the conference, Secretary-General of the Bahrain-based Council, Karel Al Saleh who pinpointed the importance of such meetings that would support member states' joint work.

He added achieving social responsibility among member states is part of its (the Gulf states) strategic security.

## Dental Health Week

THE Kuwait Dentists Association will organise its tenth Dental Health Week with the theme of "Your mouth as the mirror of your health" from March 19 to 25, an information committee member of the association Dr Saheb Al Qatani announced.

He said that the association planned the Dental Health Week as a means of spreading dental health awareness among the public and as an opportunity for dentists to meet and exchange information about the latest developments in dentistry.

He said that the week's lectures and information campaign would include items about nutrition and its effect on dental disease and the relationship between the doctor and the patient in dentistry.

## Two die in accidents

Two people died in "fatal accidents" yesterday. A boy was run over by a speeding car and one man died and two others were injured when two cars collided in the Al-Tawon street in a Kuwait suburb. The largest number of accidents occurred in Jabra, followed by seven each in Kuwait City and Ahmadi and five in Hawalli. There were a total of 34 road mishaps.

## Camp for youth opened in Jahra

"KUWAIT" is a Green Oasis" is the slogan of a student camp that is being held in Jahra suburb. The camp has been organised by the Youth and Childhood Department, at the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour. It is being held under the patronage of Ass



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publication, speeches, poems and contests in addition to handicrafts. The programme also includes theatrical activities, she pointed out.

On the other hand, officials in the association have organised sightseeing tours to several parts of the country.

The Girls' Guides' movement started in 1966 where the first office opened in Libya, then moved to Sudan. In 1981 in Jordan the committee meeting of the Arab office agreed that the office would be headquartered in Kuwait in view of Kuwait's financial and technical support.

She hoped the Arab states would increase their contributions to the office's budget.

## Information officials to discuss cooperation

RIYADH, Jan 11, (Kuna): Cooperation in the fields of television and radio is to be discussed at the fourth meeting of the information officials from GCC countries. The meeting will be held in Riyadh from Saturday next week.

Working papers to enhance cooperation will be presented by the under-secretaries attending the meeting. They will also discuss means to consolidate working ties between member states, particularly in the field of news dissemination. Other items include development of national manpower in the fields of communication and Arab links between member states.

The meeting has been called after the GCC Information Ministers adopted various recommendations at their second conference held recently.

## Kfas completes a number of projects

DR ALI Shamlan, the Director-General of the Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Science (Kfas), said that Kfas had completed a number of scientific projects over the past year, which provided services to specialists in the intellectual field and to researchers, composers and translators in various scientific areas.

Dr Shamlan said that the Research Projects Department had funded a total of 38 projects and research studies in 1987, of which 10 in fields of applied technological, social and economic sciences had been completed.

He said that the Rehabilitation and Education of Disabled Children, research in the field of desert control and the analysis and evaluation of poultry industries in Kuwait were among key projects funded by the department.

## Boycott of Israeli products by Palestinians welcomed

THE decision of Palestinians to boycott Israeli products has been welcomed by professionals in Kuwait. Dr Shafiq Al Ghabra of Kuwait University said the decision against buying Israeli-made cigarettes would be followed by boycotting other Israeli products.

Al Ghabra was speaking at a seminar held at the premises of the Kuwait Society of Engineers (KSE). Speakers made an appeal to financial aid to the Palestinians.

Israel, he said, markets a major part of local products in

the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Al Ghabra said they are the two most important markets after US.

KES Chairman Abdullah Al Minayes called on local charity groups and professionals to support the uprising. "The Palestinians need financial and moral support to fight the Israeli forces," he said.

### Support

He said a strong industrial base should be developed for Palestinians. This is one way to support the uprising in the

occupied territories, he added.

He said education facilities, particularly job-oriented studies, must be made available for Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Another speaker, Dr Abdullah Al Omar of Kuwait University, denounced the "use of weapons against unarmed children and women." Supporting the uprising, now in its second month, Al Omar said it "reveals the strong, true will of the Palestinian people and shows that they are dissatisfied with efforts made through the UN."

## Syria trying to help defuse tension in the Gulf

A KUWAITI newspaper yesterday quoted informed Syrian sources as saying that Syria's recent contacts with Gulf Arab countries were meant to cool down the situation in the Gulf and eventually put an end to the Iraq-Iran war.

The sources said that visits to five GCC countries last week by Syrian Vice-President Abdul Hafiz Khaddam and Foreign Minister Farouq Al Sharaa were designed to help defuse tension between the GCC and Iran.

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## AIDS test for expatriates from March

By Jadranka Porter

ALL expatriates seeking residence in Kuwait will have to undergo test for AIDS in Kuwait before they are granted a residence permit. This provision of the new residence law will take effect on March 1, while the law was enforced on Jan 1.

The new rule will apply only to the first-time applicants arriving from abroad.

Only those who get a free-of-AIDS certificate, and are also pronounced free of leprosy, tuberculosis, malaria and filaria (a parasite affliction) by Kuwait's health authorities will qualify for a residence permit, said Dr Rashid Al Owaish, the acting director of the public health department.

### Reduce

Although AIDS testing will greatly reduce the possibility of an AIDS carrier settling down in Kuwait, there is no guarantee, despite the test, that some will enter undetected. This is because



Dr Rashid

the AIDS virus carrier usually cannot be identified in the first two months following the infection. It takes between three weeks and two months for the anti-bodies fighting the virus to develop. This means that the carriers infected within that period prior to the test will appear to be free of the virus, but Al Owaish said he expected few

of such cases.

The blood sample of those applying for residence in Kuwait City, Hawalli governorate and Jahra will be taken at the Ports and Border Health division in Shuwaikh while the applicants in the Adan area will give their blood sample at the Fahad Al Owaish said. The tests will be carried out at the virology department in Sha'ab. The applicants will be charged KD 10 for getting a certificate testifying they are free of all the five diseases.

### Symptoms

Close to 90,000 people in Kuwait have been tested for AIDS, mainly the blood donors and those considered to be in the high-risk groups. Only the virus carriers have been discovered in Kuwait and not a single case displaying the symptoms has been recorded in the country.

In conducting the tests the Ministry of Health is relying on the guidelines for infectious diseases law. But according to last year's statements made by the Minister of Health, it is expected

that the ministry will push for special legislation to be introduced to regulate AIDS control in Kuwait.

Anyone leaving Kuwait for a country requiring a free-of-AIDS certificate can apply for the test at the AIDS office, department of public health in the Awqaf complex in Shadad, with charges being KD 5.

The university laboratory which also conducts the tests is more involved in research projects and is used by the World Health Organisation as one of the reference regional centres for AIDS testing to serve seven countries in the region. The Ministry of Health has an ongoing AIDS education programme for the medical and paramedical staff and periodically conducts lectures and question and answer sessions for the public.

A high level Kuwaiti delegation will attend an international conference of health ministers to be held from Jan 26-28 in London to discuss cooperation in AIDS control.

## Woman undergoes heart transplant in Saudi Arabia

RIYADH, Jan 11: A 41-year-old Saudi Arabian woman was saved when parents of a young accident victim donated his heart to her. The heart transplant on Hailla Al Atifi was performed last month at the Military Hospital in Riyadh.

The mother of seven children, Hailla Al Atifi became the first woman to have such surgery in the kingdom.

The surgery was performed by a leading heart specialist Dr Mohamad Al Faqih.

Hailla never had a heart problem, that is until her seventh pregnancy, when she felt acute distension in her heart. After consulting several doctors she saw Dr Al Faqih, who advised her to undergo heart surgery, and she was put on the list of patients waiting for organ donors. Last month, a young Saudi with severe head injuries was brought to the Military Hospital. After four hours in intensive care unit, the young man died of brain haemorrhage. His parents donated the heart to save Hailla's life. The accident victim's kidneys were also donated.

### Recovery

Hailla received a new heart after a critical four-hour operation. The patient was kept in an intensive care unit for a week before being shifted to an ordinary ward.

"The patient (Hailla) has shown remarkable recovery and she is now leading a near normal life at hospital," said Dr Faqih. She will stay in hospital for a few more weeks, until the doctors believe she is fit enough to go back home.

Hailla, in a recent interview, said she led a sheltered life and never believed she would ever make headlines around the world. She said: "It is so good to hug my children and be with them," she said. Hailla's husband, Naser is now awaiting his wife's return home.



Hailla Al Atifi: the first Saudi woman to have a heart transplant operation.



Hailla and her husband Naser Al Atifi pictured in the hospital.

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## Arabs urged to support Palestinian struggle

DOHA, Jan 11: (Kuna): Qatar's English language daily Gulf Time today praised statements by HH the Amir of Kuwait Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmed Al Sabah on the Palestinian uprising in the occupied lands.

The daily urged Arab and Islamic nations to consider practical measures to close Arab ranks and set up effective strategy for providing support which Palestinian people need at the current time.

The paper declared that the uprising is reflecting the Palestinian's hopelessness and disappointment over Israeli brutal acts.

The Gulf Time urged Arabs and Muslims to back Palestinian struggle and make use of the present worldwide support to put things in order and restore Palestinian legitimate rights.

The daily said that the uprising in the occupied Palestinian lands will turn into a continuous revolution until establishment of an independent Palestinian state.

KUWAIT'S Interior Ministry is planning to set up a big Coast Guard base in Fintas area, according to Lt. Col. Ghazi Al Omar, director of the Coast Guard Department.

The proposed base will have an airport and ramps for boats. They are also considering air surveillance over Kuwaiti waters and studies are being done by the coast guard and Defence Ministry, he said.

At present the Coast Guards have several floating bases, fully equipped for surveillance and rescue operations. These bases have helipads, radar equipment and weapons.

### Studies

Preliminary studies to establish the Fintas base were recently done in cooperation with the Ministries of Planning and Public Works. The requirements for the base were determined in cooperation with the Kuwait Navy.

Al Omar said the ministry will spend "millions of dinars" to build marinas on various islands in Kuwaiti waters. The coast guards have comprehensive control systems, well-trained personnel and other facilities for maintenance.

### Protect

The number of infiltrators has reduced in recent years due to the Gulf war and the internal situation. "Close cooperation between those protecting the coasts is largely responsible for the drop in infiltration," he said.

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## Mubarak discusses defence cooperation

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Before travelling to Kuwait yesterday Mubarak said in the UAE that "Egypt will not hesitate in its commitment toward its brothers in the Gulf if they are threatened."

But the Egyptian leader played down speculation Egypt had already agreed to send forces to protect the region.

"We are not mercenaries," Mubarak told a news conference in the UAE.

Mubarak, who began his tour in Saudi Arabia, is also seeking a united Arab stand on a proposed Middle East peace conference under United Nations auspices before a planned trip to Washington later this month.

"He wants to go there and tell them 'we Arabs think' and not just Egypt," said one source accompanying the Egyptian leader.

Mubarak told a news conference in the UAE: "We should sit and agree on a joint stand in the face of Israel in order to end the deadlock in the Palestinian problem."

Mubarak was also expected to discuss financial assistance for the cash-strapped Egyptian economy during his talks in Kuwait.

"We want Egypt to solve its economic problems," Kuwait's Al Anba newspaper said yesterday. "Its economy is our economy and its stability is the safety valve for Gulf and Arab stability."

## Civil Aviation-KAC joint meeting

KUWAIT'S State Minister for Services Affairs, Issa Al Mazidi yesterday chaired a meeting for a number of officials from general administration for Civil Aviation and Kuwait Airways Corporation (KAC).

An official source at the minister's office told Kuna that the meeting aimed at coordinating between the two administrations.

## Peres wants to hand over Gaza to Jordan

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soldiers. The clashes occurred in the main commercial area and the Army used bullets and tear gas to disperse the demonstrators. Later, the Israeli Army spokesman declared Nablus a closed military area.

PLO chief Yasser Arafat accused Israel of using potentially deadly US-made tear gas against Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"Our people in the Palestinian camps found some unexploded tear gas bombs each weighing 15 kg (33 pounds), thrown by Israeli helicopters and causing suffocation, marked 'Made in USA-1988', he told reporters at the Baghdad headquarters of the PLO.

### Dropped

Arafat said Israeli helicopters dropped up to 300 of the bombs on the Jabbalya refugee camp in the Gaza Strip alone, causing dozens of casualties.

British Foreign Office Minister David Mellor, who returned last week from a visit to Israel and the occupied Gaza Strip, said Israel should agree to international peace conference to settle the Middle East problem.

"The Israelis must accept that an international conference offers the only way out of the cycle of violence, repression and moral degradation," he wrote in a London newspaper.

President Hosni Mubarak, calling for a peace conference, said it could be possible to establish autonomy for the Palestinians in the occupied lands if the Palestinians would accept this.

## 4,000-year-old artifacts found

BAGHDAD, Jan 11: (AP): Teams excavating at the site of the ancient Assyrian city of Nimrud in northern Iraq have come across 4,000-year-old finds, the Al-Thawra daily reported today.

The artifacts included some ivory sculptures, ornamented daggers dating back to the ancient Assyrian empire.

The daily did not say when the discovery was made.

The newspaper also said some mounds and other finds were unearthed, including a wall and the remains of what could be a tower.

Nimrud is 17 miles south of Mosul, the third-largest city in Iraq, the land known in ancient times as Mesopotamia. Nimrud was the Assyrian capital.

Several foreign and Iraqi teams have been working in northern Iraq, the hub for archeological activity in the country.

## Girl who faked her own death found in Cairo

and return to them, making them proud of her academic accomplishment.

Not satisfied with simply imagining her death, Manar claims she left Kuwait and joined a friend in Cairo, who stole her mother's passport for Manar to use. She claims that she sold one of her school team's gold medals to purchase the airplane ticket to Egypt and burned her clothes during the sports intermission to make people think that she had committed suicide.

### Burned

In an interview with a Kuwaiti daily, Manar said that she loves to read police stories and watch foreign detective movies, imagining herself as one of the movie stars.

Manar claimed that she had invented a story in which she makes her family think she has died, while, in fact, she has disappeared to a safe place to study

Coast guards protect vital sea installations, curb infiltration and smuggling, carry out rescue missions and search for missing ships and boats.

Commenting on the forbidden areas, he said the borders of such areas extended from Ras Al Sabiya to the north of Mesjan, to Ouh, near Ahmadi. People are also banned from approaching oil installations and desalination and power plants. Al Omar said boat speeds must be limited to curb smuggling. "Smugglers are now using high-speed boats," he said.

Extensive training programmes are organised for Coast Guards. Last year 25 courses were held. About 25 trainees were sent to Egypt for navigation and marine engineering studies; 22 others did a three-year course in radar at the Applied Education Authority. Some 35 similar courses are planned this year.

### A floating Coast Guard base



The Coast Guard men on one of the boats.

## EVENTS

## Sexy Bruce moonlights into marriage

**Ever since he landed the role of mad-cap smoothie David Addison in TV's hottest show, Moonlighting, Bruce Willis has never looked back. Now he's also landed a wife — superstar actress Demi Moore.**

By Alex Smith

"If Bruce decided to wear underpants on his head, the rest of Hollywood would follow suit. Women find him appealing, men want to be like him. What can you say? The boy's a star."

That was the verdict of one Hollywood critic talking about Bruce Willis, star of the hit show Moonlighting (now being shown on KTV 2) and the most fanciable man on television.

Moonlighting is the snappy, sassy hip hit of a TV series. It's funny, sad, romantic and scary and a definite winner in the TV award stakes.

Its stars are Bruce Willis, Cybill Shepherd and heart-warming dialogue.

She's Maddie Hayes, a gorgeous but cool former model, bankrupt by double-dealing circumstances which forced her into running a detective business — the Blue Moon Agency.

He's detective David Addison, a bad lad with the motto: Live Fast, Die Young, Leave Clean Underwear.

But Bruce, despite his racy lifestyle and steamy scenes with Maddie Hayes on screen, has eyes only for one lady, Demi Moore. And although it will break female hearts all round the world, the couple are wonderfully and completely happy.

Demi — unlike every other woman in Hollywood — hasn't allowed herself to be charmed by Bruce's disarming twinkle that he uses to such good effect as David Addison in the TV series.

She knows better. She's a star in her own right, having appeared in the popular movie, About Last Night.

**Ceremony**

Bruce married actress Demi recently in secret, but soon after there was a lavish wedding party for 500 showbiz pals, blessed by legendary rocker Little Richard.



Left to right: Elizabeth Perkins, Demi Moore, Jim Belushi and Rob Lowe, stars of the movie, About Last Night. Now beautiful Demi has married Bruce Willis.

## WHAT'S ON

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## SOCIAL

**Sargam Music Show**  
Sargam, a local group, will hold a music show at Messilah Beach Hotel at 6.30 pm on Feb 3. A selection of popular Urdu, Hindi, Punjabi and English songs will be presented. Entertainment also includes fire dance, lava dance and a magic show. For details phone 3260455, 7 am to 3 pm.

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Dynamic Duo: Bruce Willis as David Addison and Cybill Shepherd as Maddie Hayes in a scene from the hit television show, Moonlighting.

Fortunately Tri-Star, the production company filming Bruce's latest film — called Sunset — picked up the tab for the \$250,000 second-time-around ceremony.

Bruce said later: "Our first wedding was very personal, but I wanted Demi to have the most memorable day a bride could ask for."

Yet the ceremony will also be remembered by Demi for another reason. The chubby star, who has been picked for a plum part in the re-launch of the 1970's TV smash Charlie's Angels, has admitted she is addicted to Christmas pudding and was on a diet during the ceremony.

Her next serious love was TV writer Sheri Rivera — whom he was tipped to marry.

Bruce — known to friends as Bruno — moved into Sheri's home in Bel Air, California, which she shared with seven-year-old Gabriel, her son by her ex-husband, American TV reporter Geraldo Rivera.

She admits she scoffs the Yuletide treat all the year round — sometimes twice a week and on American TV's Good Morningshow Demi had joked: "I love them but I've promised to pack them in if Bruce stays on the wagon."

Her role as a new Charlie's Angel is worth £300,000 but 24-year-old Demi has been warned: "Lose 20lbs or you are out." She has been bending over backwards to fight the slab ever since.

## Problems

But, as the star of a TV show that is proving bigger than anything that has gone before it, Moonlighting — and being married — has brought Bruce some problems he could have done without.

His first love Party Jo Licciardello, now a housewife in New Jersey has already told of her intimate times with Bruce. Of their first kiss she says: "I was awestruck with Bruce, totally in love with this guy, so anything he did was OK with

## Success

Now, free from that relationship and deliriously happy with Demi, Bruce can look forward to even greater success. Already he's achieved his stardom faster than his 1966 black Corvette convertible hits Santa Monica Boulevard in Moonlighting.

He's not content with being just TV's number one heartthrob though. He has already launched himself on a highly successful singing career and topped the charts with his remake of Respect Yourself, a track from his debut album, The Return of Bruno.

Nor have the possibilities of cashing in on the advertising world passed him by. He is being paid between five and seven million dollars to advertise Seagram's Golden Wine Cooler (an American wine and fruit drink) on television.

Those 55-second ads, aimed at the well-mouled market, are so popular that the drink has been nick-named "Bruce Juice."

Then, of course, there's Bruce Willis the moviestar. TriStar Films recently shocked Hollywood by offering Bruce a multi-million dollar deal, said to be the biggest in studio history.

## Author

So far Willis has already made Blind Date, a Blake Edwards comedy with Kim Basinger and is now busy filming a new Tri-Star production called Sunset.

And, as if that isn't enough, look out for Bruce Willis, the author. He says he intends to

Chopin. For further details contact the hotel.

## Kunkani Drama

The New G.O.A. presents Freddy J. D'Costa's play Khata Pita Dev Dita on Jan 14 (5pm), Jan 15 (3pm) and Utt Goykara on Jan 17 (3pm). The troupe from Goa including Jacinio Vaz will perform at the new Indian Arts Circle hall in Finanites. Transport available from City. For reservations contact the Raja Stores.

## Ladies Tea Party

A saree fashion show will be held at the International Ladies Tea Party meeting on Jan 20, Wednesday, from 4.30 pm at the Kuwait Plaza Hotel. For details call 5317390.

## Kuwait Cultural Centre

Dancerize classes will be held shortly. For further details phone 2428362.

## HOTELS

## At the Ramada

Day luncheons, chef's special and dinner buffet at Coffee Shop, from Sunday to Friday, steak and seafood specialties featured for dinner at El Merssa Restaurant, open from 7 pm to 1.30 am. Family brunch on Fridays from 12 noon to 3 pm. Highlights will be magician, painting competition, games and ship's discovery tour.

## At the Sheraton

Dine in the Hunt Room with live music by the gypsy band. For lunch, Hunt Room offers a la carte, Italian cuisine featured for dinner in the Ricardo Restaurant.

## At the Continental

Gardenia offers food and beverage service on the Terrace. Daily dinner buffet and on Fridays, lunch buffet with barbecue grilled

## APARTMENT FOR RENT IN BNEID AL-GHAR

One master bedroom, two bedrooms, one maid's room; all with attached bathrooms, laundry, kitchen, solar-heating room.

Al Mojil Building, white marble cladding, behind the Kuwait

## KLT

**Feature Film**  
Soft Target, made with all the style and mastery of the very best spy thrillers, will be shown on Jan 16 and 17 at 6.30 pm at the British Council in Mancouria. The film offers many pertinent and highly amusing insights to the East-West relationship and the dilemmas of those trapped into that paranoia. Duration: 90 minutes. Free admission but reservations must be made. Tel: 2515512; 2533204.

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## KTV 1

2.15 Holy Quran  
2.30 World News via Satellite

3.30 Hakam Al Ajaz: cartoon serial

4.00 News Summary

4.05 World News via Satellite

4.15 La Ilaha Illallah: historical serial, featuring Yusuf Shahaan, Rughda, Hata Fakher

5.15 Al Manahal: children's serial, starring Ahmad Qawadari, Tayseer Attiya

6.15 Agricultural Magazine: local programme

7.00 News Summary

7.05 Afaq Al Fann: Art Horizons.

7.35 Al Quds: Part Two. A talk show on Jerusalem's history

8.00 Hadith Al Usbooh: religious talk by Sheikh Ali Jassar

8.15 Good Evening and Local News

9.00 News in Arabic

9.50 Stories from the History of Kuwait

10.50 Al Anzaar: daily Arabic serial, featuring Salah Qubil, Raja Hussein, Ibrahim Shami, Safa Al Subi.

11.30 News Summary

11.35 World News via Satellite

12.15 Holy Quran/Closedown



Christopher Reeve as Superman III, tonight's Cine Club film at 10.10 pm on KTV 2.

## KTV 2

6.00 Holy Quran  
6.10 Rainbow Bright: Cartoons.

6.30 Side Kicks: "Remember Mama". Jack Rizo's mother pays a visit.

7.00 Beyond 2000: a look at the latest advances in science and technology. Tonight's reports are on the 21st century automobile; solar energy research in France; new heat resistant textiles and installation of a new elevator at the Eiffel Tower.

8.00 News in English

8.40 You and the Law: "Working Without A Net", family trouble and problems at work make life difficult for the

policeman.

9.40 Tracy Ulman Show: "The Makeover". Comedy.

10.10 Cine Club: "Superman III". Starring Christopher Reeve, Richard Pryor, Robert Vaughn. Not as high-flying as previous "Supermans". Superman III shifts awkwardly from Superman's flying with Lana Lang (Annette O'Toole) to arch-villains zapping his power with a super computer. Duration 120 minutes.

11.20 News Summary/Magazine D'Actualite/Closedown

Please note that programmes and timings are liable to change without notice.

## RADIO PROGRAMMES

## FM Services

## Morning

08.00 Opening

08.02 Songs and Music

08.05 Thoughts in Islam

08.20 Songs and Music

08.30 NEWS

08.45 Programmes

09.00 Songs and Music

09.30 They Sold A Million

10.00 Our Press Today

10.05 Songs and Music

11.00 Closdown

13.30 NEWS FM Service

## EVENING

21.00 Opening

21.02 In The Little Mood

21.30 NEWS

21.45 Point of View

22.00 Songs and Music

22.00 Mohammad (PBUT)

22.45 Daily Programme

23.00 Hili Serial

23.30 Jazz in action

24.00 Closdown

## BBC World Services

0000 World News

09.00 News about Britain

## EDITORIALS

## ARAB TIMES

## Thought for today

A MAN must not swallow more beliefs than he can digest — Havelock Ellis, US psychologist (1859-1939).

## Soviets looking for a face-saving way out

By Jack Redden

MOSCOW, (UPI): Like America in Vietnam, the Soviet Union appears to have finally exhausted its efforts to subdue Afghanistan and is looking only for a face-saving way to get its troops out.

The Kremlin, which kept trying to win through diplomacy what it could not get in eight years on the battlefield, seems to have finally made the unpalatable decision that it must withdraw even if it means abandoning its Afghan followers.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze returned Wednesday from two days of talks in Kabul with pro-Moscow President Najibullah, calling for a Soviet withdrawal this year.

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In the view of Western analysts, Moscow is most anxious now for the United States to guarantee it will not embarrass the Soviet Union further as its troops leave after a futile eight-year struggle to control a country of tribal warriors.

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White satirist mocks apartheid

By Jonathan Sharp

JOHANNESBURG, (Reuters): At one shocking moment during a show playing at a Johannesburg theatre, a white man stampeded savagely on a large black doll while a tape plays Frank Sinatra singing "I get a kick out of you."

Minutes later the audience erupts in hilarity as an actor does a wickedly accurate impersonation of South African President P. W. Botha, draped in a flag of the African National Congress, the guerrilla group fighting to overthrow white rule.

The author and performer of both these sequences is a 42-year-old white South African playwright and actor, Pieter Dirk Uys.

Uys has given himself what many regard as a daunting task — making South Africans laugh about themselves, their leaders and their most sensitive political and social institutions, including apartheid race segregation.

South Africans are not renowned for their ability to poke fun at themselves, and tough censorship laws discourage artists from straying far from the ideologically straight and narrow.

Uys knows about censorship: five of his plays were banned in the 1970s. But a series of satirical revues, most of them one-man shows, that he has written and performed since 1981 have escaped the censor's attentions.



Kuomintang leaders had big change of heart

## Taiwan loosens control

By Ann Scott Tyson

TAIPEI: Human rights lawyer Yao Chia-Wen emerged from prison January 1986 after serving seven years for criticising political repression by Taiwan's authoritarian regime. Today, Yao heads the island's largest opposition party, the first to challenge the absolute power of the Kuomintang (Nationalist Party, or KMT) since Gen. Chiang Kai-shek took over in 1949.

The dramatic turnaround in Yao's fortunes parallels the rise of his party, the Democratic Progressive Party (DPP), founded with 1,000 members in September 1986, in violation of a martial law ban. The tiny party took 25 per cent of the vote in parliamentary elections against the 2.3-million-strong KMT in December, 1986, despite tight government restrictions on the DPP campaign.

In July, President Chiang Ching-Kuo met opposition demands to lift martial law, ending the threat of trial by military court for many opposition activists and freeing more political prisoners like Yao. Taiwan's parliament, the Legislative Yuan, is expected to pass an amendment soon that will legalise opposition parties for the first time in nearly 40 years.

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Shevardnadze noted the good relations Moscow had with previous Afghan regimes, including even the monarchy. Afghanistan, land-locked and one of the poorest nations on earth, had been dominated by the Soviet Union before the 1978 coup installed a communist government and set off the rebellion.

The Soviet foreign minister's message was that the Kremlin will be able to live with the government that emerges in Afghanistan after a withdrawal.

Moscow would like to just turn the clock back a decade. Like the United States in Vietnam, the Soviet Union would probably just prefer to forget their Afghanistan misadventure.

"The last 10 years are going to have to be erased from the history books," said a European diplomat.

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## Canada ponders how to maintain identity

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By Jeff Bradley

TORONTO, (AP): Throughout their history, Canadians have feared domination by the economy and culture of the United States — dubbed by some "the Yankee trader." Now, following a sweeping free-trade agreement by the two nations, there is renewed debate in Canada about how to stay friends with Washington while maintaining the nation's own culture and identity.

Living next to the United States is like sleeping with an elephant, former Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau once said, and "no matter how friendly and even-tempered is the beast, one is affected by every twitch and grunt."

"I try to keep a balance of 40 per cent anger and 50 per cent comedy in my work," he added.

Some might say that apartheid is not a fit subject for comedy, no matter how biting the humour is. Uys parries this argument by disarmingly agreeing that what he does is indeed in bad taste.

"You can't criticise apartheid in good taste," he says.

Uys' latest show was inspired by two recent movies about South Africa. One is about jailed black nationalist leader Nelson Mandela, and the second is "Cry Freedom" made by British director Sir Richard Attenborough about black leader Steve Biko, who died in police custody in 1977.

The name of the show, "Cry Freedom" — the movie is an amalgam of the titles of the two films — but there the resemblance ends.

The "characters," played by Uys, include British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and actress Joan Collins who "plays" Mandela's wife, Winnie.

Reviews have been mixed, with critics saying the show has too much anger and not enough humour to be effective.

Brian Mulroney began his administration in 1984 by seeking closer relations with US President Ronald Reagan, a fellow conservative. Both had the trade deal signed Saturday as a win-win proposition with prosperity for all. Big business generally agrees.

The treaty governing the world's largest trading partnership would abolish all tariffs within 10 years and lower other barriers to investment and commerce. Estimates say it will be \$6,000 cheaper for a Canadian to furnish a new home, while Americans will gain secure access to vast energy resources.

Opposition

But the accord must survive determined opposition in Canada, and ratification burdens in a protectionist US Congress before its scheduled implementation Jan. 1, 1989.

Three of Canada's 10 provinces, Labour leaders and many cultural luminaries want protective subsidies left in place and warn that the deal threatens the preservation of the 120-year-old Canadian confederation.

Ed Broadbent, leader of the

socialist New Democratic Party, accused Mulroney of "Volunteering Canada to be the 51st state" and said the border could disappear within 25 years. Main opposition Liberal Party leader John Turner said: "We intend to fight it every inch of the way."

Author Margaret Atwood wants Mulroney to call an election before the pact is sent to Parliament for ratification.

"If what we want is to not be Canada anymore, let's put that right out on the ballot," she said.

The Ontario Labour Federation urged members to seize their factories if jobs are endangered by low-cost US imports, while others say guaranteed US access to energy resources returns Canadians to their colonial role as "hewers of wood and drawers of water."

The dispute over the trade agreement comes against the background of other strains in US-Canadian relations. A prosperous and independent nation, Canada has long been angry about acid rain that flows across the border and damages its lakes and forests.

Canada also disputes ownership of the northwest passage through the Arctic, where US Navy submarines patrol under the ice.

Peace groups seek a halt to US cruise missile tests in the sub-Arctic, ecologists want to prevent Americans from tapping water resources or disturbing caribou herds, and there are squabbles over oil, natural gas, steel, uranium, fish, corn, potash and other products.

Despite the conflicts, there is also plenty of close cooperation in a relationship both sides almost take for granted. In Quebec, the border runs through one woman's house without anyone caring very much.

The smooth core of the partnership includes joint management of the Great Lakes, trans-border aviation and trucking agreements, the North American aerospace defence command to guard against Soviet air attack over the Arctic, day-to-day police collaboration, and the transmission of some \$4 billion a year in Canadian electricity and natural gas to American homes and factories.

Canadians get easily rattled; however, when their southern neighbours fail to recognise the cultural and historical factors that divide them.

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Opponents accused Mulroney of forfeiting Canadian independence when Reagan loosely termed the free-trade deal "a new economic constitution for North America." Reagan later had to reverse Canadians he had no designs on their sovereignty.

But despite Canada's rugged outdoors image, 80 per cent of its 25.3 million population huddles within 100 miles (220 km) of the US border. A winter vacation in Florida is almost a tribal rite.

Whatever their misgivings, Canadians voraciously consume American culture. Fans of the Toronto Blue Jays baseball team cheer a lineup virtually devoid of Canadians, and even Arctic Eskimos watch TV programmes originating in Detroit.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

- 1598 — Pope Clement VIII seizes duchy of Ferrara in Italy.
- 1684 — France's King Louis XIV marries Mme de Maintenon after death of Maria Theresa.
- 1848 — Revolt starts in Palermo, Italy, against corruption of Bourbons.
- 1879 — British-Zulu war begins in Africa.
- 1945 — German forces retreat in disorder in Battle of the Bulge in Belgium during World War II.
- 1953 — Yugoslavia National Assembly adopts new constitution from Arctic circle to Mediterranean.
- 1964 — Rebellion in Zanzibar, which is declared a republic, and Sultan is deposed.
- 1967 — China's Army pledges support to Mao Tse-Tung during disorders triggered by Chinese Cultural Revolution.
- 1968 — United States and Cambodia agree on policy to keep Cambodia from becoming embroiled in Vietnam war.
- 1970 — Breakaway Biafra surrenders, ending 31-month-old Nigerian civil war. Biafra leader General Odumegwu Ojukwu flees with family.
- 1972 — Sheikh Mujibur Rahman of new state of Bangladesh resigns as President to become Prime Minister under parliamentary system of government.
- 1974 — North African nations of Libya and Tunisia announce they have agreed to merge as new republic.
- 1976 — Coalition cabinet in Thailand collapses with resignation of Prime Minister Kukrit Pramoj.
- 1986 — Tamil separatist guerrillas kill seven Sri Lanka Army soldiers and wound nine others in ambush in northern province of Sri Lanka.
- 1987 — Israeli warplanes bomb Palestinian commando bases southeast of Sidon, Lebanon, killing three people and wounding 11.

## Hostage taking remains a particularly troublesome and effective form

## Terrorism declining

By E.A. Wayne

WASHINGTON: For the last two years, international terrorism has declined, says L. Paul Bremmer III, the United States ambassador at large for counter-terrorism.

This reflects an increasingly solid counterterrorism network among concerned countries, Bremmer says, and a growing consensus that terrorists should be treated as criminals, not political activists.

He calculated that incidents of international terrorism (as distinguished from terrorism carried out by domestic groups in their country) declined about six per cent in 1986 and have so far dropped about the same amount this year. This stands in sharp contrast with the 20 to 30 per cent annual increases in the early 1980s.

Despite this cautious optimism, Bremmer says the war is far from won. The Dec. 27 terrorist attack on US servicemen in Barcelona, in which a US sailor was killed, demonstrates the continuing threat.

Terrorism taking remains a particularly troublesome and effective form of terrorism, he says. The pressures on governments to make deals creates divisions in the international front against terrorists.

Faced with the more varied voter profile, Yao favours a united front strategy, which attempts to attract the broadest possible spectrum of supporters with a general pro-democracy, anti-government platform. Other DPP leaders, however, are increasingly targeting specific constituencies.

In a blow to DPP's efforts to maintain solidarity, one of its 13 members with seats on Taiwan's 315-member parliament left the DPP last month to help lead a new labour party. The party, formed in November by a group of leftist intellectuals and labour organisers, seeks to win support from Taiwan's more than five million workers. A goal of the new 300-member party is to expand the power of labour unions in Taiwan, where about 18 per cent of workers are unionised, government statistics say.

In addition, a small group of DPP activists has hinted that it will form a party modelled after West Germany's Greens.

The Christian Science Monitor.

Organisation ordered all airlines to institute checks to ensure that all luggage is matched to passengers before takeoff.

More generally, the degree of police and intelligence cooperation among concerned countries has multiplied, Bremmer says. Rather than seeking to cut deals, countries are now saying, "Let the cops do their jobs," he adds.

Cooperation in Europe has improved markedly in the last two years, he says, with the traditionally reluctant French acting as a motor force. The result has been a sharp drop in terrorist actions in Europe and the crippling of many terrorist groups.

**Tough**

Similarly, governments have begun to make the tough decisions needed to bring terrorists to justice, with new laws and successful trials, Bremmer says. Britain, Italy, West Germany, France, and others have convicted terrorists with stiff sentences.

The one area of real concern.

Bremmer says, is hostage-taking. In recent months, four foreign hostages have been freed in Lebanon. Western intelligence sources say more than \$1 million each was paid for a West German and for a Korean. Two French hostages were released in what appears to be part of a deal with Iran.

Bremmer declines to comment directly on the ransom reports, but he says "the impression is around that hostages are being ransomed in one way or another, not necessarily with money but with some kind of promises or whatever ... If hostage takers, particularly the people holding the eight American hostages, get the impression that government will be willing to make concessions to get their citizens out, that will only prolong the agony of the Americans held hostage. It will only make it more difficult for our government to get our hostages out."

Western publics just got fed up with terrorism, Bremmer argues, and started demanding that their governments develop effective counterstrategies.

"We are now beginning to see the benefits," he says. One example is air safety. Twenty years ago, Bremmer says, there were 15 to 20 international hijackings a year; there were two each in 1986 and '87.

This reflects international cooperation on security and criminal prosecution. Work continues on ways to better detect bombs in hand luggage and baggage, he says, and just last month the International Civil Aviation

Organization's message to hostage holders is that "they cannot achieve their objectives by taking Americans hostage ... They're not going to get their way," Bremmer says. The administration learned a lesson in wrongly trying to sell arms to Iran, he says; firmness has to be the policy.

Bremmer argues that the US is using the full range of tools available to fight terrorism. This includes quiet diplomacy, public statements and accords, covert action, and overt military action, as in the 1986 attack on Libya.

The threat of escalation nags to the efficacy of more quiet methods, other counterterrorism officials say. They note that the US has had significant success in closing down operations of several terrorist groups, including the one headed by Palestinian renegade Abu Nidal (the nom de guerre of Sabri Bania), with quiet diplomacy. The US approaches a country with information about an activity or individual and says: "We are concerned about this terrorist-related activity that your government may not be aware of." In most cases, officials say, the government concerned has reacted constructively.

US counterterrorism strategy is succeeding, Bremmer concludes, but success depends on credible firmness by the US and other governments in bringing terrorists to trial, not ceding to their demands, and pressuring all states to stop supporting terrorism

# BUSINESS & FINANCE

## Hong Kong to impose negative interest rates

HONG KONG, Jan 11, (Reuter): Hong Kong will be ready to impose fees on some bank deposits by early March to defend its currency, the head of the British colony's Bank Association said today.

"We have ... a draft agreement which will be applied if necessary," said John Mackenzie after a special meeting of the association.

He told reporters time was needed to gain final approval of the bank group's members and to finalise the legal framework for the move. Details would be announced by the end of this week.

**Levy**  
An association spokesman said negative interest rates — which would levy fees on large accounts — were aimed at countering speculation the local dollar would be revalued.

Speculative funds have poured into the colony on expectations the peg of 7.8 Hong Kong dollars to one US dollar would be adjusted.

Washington has been pressing Hong Kong to revalue, a move that would make the colony's exports less competitive and help reduce US trade deficit.

Hong Kong's government has adamantly refused, saying the peg is needed to maintain political confidence ahead of the colony's return to Chinese rule in 1997.

On Saturday, the Bank Association announced a cut in the prime lending rate — interest banks charge on loans to their best customers — by 1/4 point to 5.25 per cent in a move partly designed to ease speculative pressure on the currency.

## SBI and Exim Bank to set up investment firm

NEW DELHI, Jan 11, (Kena): The government-owned State Bank of India and Exim Bank have initiated a move to set up an investment company, jointly owned by India and Arab countries. Such a company will help in a long way to attract funds from the Middle East.

The proposal was discussed in details at the recently held Indo-Arab Joint Business Council (JBC).

The JBC noted that the possibilities of Arab investment in India were not up to the expectations of the government. There was no proper financial infrastructure facilities which could be utilised by the Arab countries for investment.

**Need**  
The fifth Indo-Arab JBC also stressed the need to boost trade between Indians and Arabs particularly with the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) nations.

It was decided to set up Indo-Arab Chamber of Commerce with the objective of facilitating day to day business between India and the Arab nations.

The proposed joint chamber could expedite the process of cases for joint ventures and business cooperation. The chamber headquarters should be set up either in Delhi or Bombay with its branches in all Arab nations.

It was also agreed that Indian chamber would examine the working of bilateral chambers in Indian and prepare a note for the benefit of the Union of Arab Chamber.

The low level of trade between India and the Arab nations was not in keeping with the close geographical proximity and the excellent political relations and traditional ties.

India's trade was confined to few commodities and few Arab nations. A major part of the trade is with the UAE, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Iraq.

## Saudis ship first wheat to Moscow

BAHRAIN, Jan 11, (Reuter): The first shipment of Saudi wheat bound for the Soviet Union has left the port of Jeddah, the Saudi Press Agency reported today.

The 25,000-tonne shipment is part of a larger consignment to be completed later. Abdul-Rahman ibn Hasan Al Sheikh, Minister of Water Resources and Agriculture, told the agency.

He said Saudi Arabia, which heavily subsidises its wheat production, had also agreed to sell 300,000 tonnes of wheat to China.

## Reagan-Takeshita talks to focus on trade, stable dollar

# Stability vital to regain market confidence

WASHINGTON, Jan 11, (Reuter): Japan's Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita arrives tomorrow for crucial talks with President Reagan on tense US-Japanese trade relations and the need for stable currency exchange rates.

US and Japanese officials say the two sides generally agree on ways to avoid sharp fluctuations in the yen-dollar link but remain far apart on many trade issues.

### First

Takeshita will be here on his first visit since becoming prime minister last November. He will meet Reagan on Wednesday.

He will also have talks with Secretary of State George Shultz and visit Congress, where he is likely to face sharp charges that unfair Japanese trade practices are costing American jobs and closing factories.

Takeshita leaves Washington on Friday for Ottawa and talks



President Reagan



Noboru Takeshita

with Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

Administration officials say Reagan hopes to fashion the same kind of close relationship he developed with Takeshita's predecessor Yasuhiro Nakasone, although their warm re-

lationship is vital to regain the confidence of global markets.

The dollar, under pressure from continued high US trade deficits, has dropped sharply the past year against the yen, from about 160 yen to the dollar to the current level.

### Criticism

The growing US trade deficit with Japan — and the world — will dominate the Reagan-Takeshita talks officials said. The overall deficit is running at about \$170 billion with one-third of it coming in trade with Japan.

US officials said Takeshita's talks with Reagan are likely to be as amiable and productive as possible considering the trade strains between the two countries.

But Takeshita will meet sharp criticism in his talk with congressmen, many of whom are

running for re-election in the autumn and see trade as a potent campaign issue.

Political analysts say congressmen see "Japan-bashing" as a useful campaign tactic in the face of the number of jobs lost and factories closed because of foreign imports, from cars and steel to electronic products and clothing.

But both the United States and Japan are under pressure to take steps to reduce the trade imbalance. The United States needs to reduce its huge federal budget deficit, while Japan needs to open its markets more to foreign goods.

### Knows

"Reagan knows very well what he should do and Takeshita knows very well what he should do," one Japanese official said.

He said both sides were moving in the right direction but faced domestic pressures that inhibited their actions.

## New forecast gloomier

# World economy 'precarious in 1988'

UNITED NATIONS, Jan 11, (UPI): The world economic forecast for 1988 said today the October Wall Street crash conspired with long-standing weaknesses to make the outlook at best "precariously unstable" with the risk of serious global recession.

The report, prepared by the division for economic and social information at UN headquarters and issued by Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, said "there is a risk of serious recession in the world economy with the adverse consequences which this entails."

**Sluggish**  
Predicting generally lower and sluggish growth rates of output and trade, the report said, "the international financial system will remain precariously unsta-

ble and the risk to both that system and the global economy will be high."

It warned that "the danger that a new shock would cause a widespread recession in the industrial world will be ever present in the months ahead."

The report said the Oct 19 Wall Street crash "was superimposed on — and, indeed, prompted by — some long-standing and unresolved global economic problems."

Among these listed widening trade imbalances between Japan, West Germany and the United States "together with rapidly changing interest and foreign exchange rates."

What the report called the "Wall Street 'shock'" quickly assumed global proportions and "that crisis also highlighted the

obstacles to the implementation of concerted policies for the management of the world economy."

### Sovereign

"In a world of sovereign but interdependent nation states, governments must act in order to ensure greater financial and monetary stability, but progress in that direction is slow," it said.

One of the dilemmas governments face in 1988 is that "they must tackle the imbalances of the world economy but without deflationary steps that might bring on a world recession and without excessive demand expansion that could rekindle inflation," the report said.

While "sound management of economies everywhere is more critical than ever" it urged international cooperation in order to "restore a climate of greater

predictability of exchange rates and interest rates."

It further demanded joint action to "decompress and grapple resolutely with the debt problem which exerts a deflationary drag on the world economy, and resume a substantial net inflow of resources to the developing countries."

### Exception

The report predicted only a 2 percent growth rate for the economies of the industrialised nations in 1988 and 3 percent for the developing world. The only exception would be China, where the robust 10 per cent rate of growth in 1987 is expected to slow to 8 per cent this year.

International trade will grow at "sluggish" 3 percent in 1988, the report said.

**Algerian minister in Tehran for economic talks**

NICOSIA, Jan 11, (AP): Algeria's Deputy Commerce Minister, Mourad Medelci, has arrived in Tehran on a one-week visit for economic cooperation talks. Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency reported today.

The agency, monitored in Nicosia, said Medelci said when he arrived last night that relations between the two countries were "highly important" and that these were markedly broadened during 1977.

He added his visit was designed to expand economic cooperation under an agreement reached last year following the first meeting of the Algerian-Iranian joint economic commission.

Algeria, together with Syria and Libya have supported Iran in varying degrees in its 7-year-old war against Iraq.

## BP bounces back from market crash to pursue aggressive drive

LONDON, Jan 11, (Reuter): Britain's biggest company, oil giant British Petroleum Co. PLC (BP), has bounced back from the world stock market crash to pursue an aggressive expansion.

Oil analysts say it is a tribute to BP's toughness that it quickly recovered from a flopped share issue in October — the biggest flotation failure ever — to make a recent bid for another oil company, Brunei PLC.

The global giant, which has overcome troubles many times in its 86-year history, has glided through three turbulent months that have also seen Kuwait build a sizeable stake in it.

"BP is turning out to be a very aggressive and active company," said Michael Unsworth, chief oil analyst with brokers Smith New Court. "They are willing to make opportunities happen and structure

underwriters, who were left with most of the shares, the government agreed to buy back at 70 pence (\$1.25) new shares for which investors had paid a £1.20 (\$2.15) deposit.

But the rescue plan ended on January 6 with only a modest uptake reported by the Bank of England.

Many industry analysts had wondered whether its acquisition strategy, which included the purchase of the US Standard Oil Co. last spring, would slow when the stock market collapsed.

The crash kept investors away from a £7.2 billion (\$13 billion) issue of new BP stock and sale a government stake in the company of 31.5 per cent, a flotation made to restructure its capital after the standard takeover and increase its financial muscle.

To help small investors and

## Soviet collective farm rules liberalised under new draft

MOSCOW, Jan 11, (Reuter): The Soviet Union has drafted new collective farm statutes giving agricultural workers greater scope for private initiative and allowing farms to set up direct trade links with the West.

The draft rules, published today in the newspaper Sovetskaya Rossiya, are expected to be discussed at a countrywide congress of collective farmers provisionally scheduled for March, analysts said.

### Reform

They said the statutes reflected Kremlin leader Mikhail Gorbachev's calls for reform to boost agricultural output by creating greater incentives for workers on collective farms.

"The kolkhoz (collective farm) is a school of communism for the peasantry," the draft stated in a preface.

It made clear there were no intention to weaken the collective farm system which Josef Stalin forcibly created in the early 1930s at a cost estimated by Western historians at millions of lives. But it restored the principle that membership in a kolkhoz was voluntary.

The rules say kolkhoz workers may use the collective's farm machinery and pastures for gardening on private plots and private livestock breeding. Previously families were expected to use their own equipment for gardening on private plots.

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The draft rules give collective farms the right to establish trade links with agricultural cooperatives in East bloc countries and with firms in the West and developing world.

"Kolkhozes bear full responsibility for their foreign economic links," the draft says making clear the state did not intend to haul out loss-making trade ventures.

The farms have also been given the right to set up food processing plants on their premises and to make and sell building materials and consumer goods to firms once they have fulfilled their commitments to the state.

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## WORLD STOCK MARKETS

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## LONDON (ADRA STOCKS)

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NAME	LAST	150/0	150/0
ABBEY LFE	244/0	288/0	282/0
ALD LYONS	335/0	420/0	382/0
ANSTRAD	131/0	109/0	109/0
ARGYLL GP	195/0	259.0	240/0
ASDA MFI	168.5	559.0	508/0
A B FOODS	302/0	202/0	182/0
BAA PP	97.0	182/0	182/0
BTR	267.0	232.0	232.0
BAT 1INDS	29.00	207.0	207.0
BARCLAYS	487/0	385/0	385/0
BASS	795/0	281.0	281.0
BEAVER	179.0	50/0	50/0
BEECHAMS	465/0	269/0	269/0
BET ORD	228.0	532/4	532/4
BICE PLC	330.0	182/0	182/0
BLUE ARR	94/0	146.0	146.0
BLUE CIR	420/0	250/0	250/0
BOC GP	310.0	162/0	162/0
BOOTS CO	262/0	190/0	190/0
SPS INDS	69.73	246.0	246.0
BR COMM	327.0	600.0	600.0
BR AIRWAY	157/0	157/0	157/0
BR AEROS	335.0	432.0	432.0
BR CAS PP	159/0	159/0	159/0
B.P.	258.0	128.0	128.0
S.P. NEW	74/0	447/0	447/0
BR TELCOM	224.0	181/0	181/0
BRITOL	445.0	512.0	512.0
SUN2L	172/0	135.0	135.0
BURNHAM OL	429/0	160/0	160/0
BURTON	233/0	157/0	157/0
CABLE & R	354/0	400.0	400.0
CADBURY'S	253/0	190/0	190/0
COATS VIT	253/0	227.0	227.0
COMH UNIT	342/0	206/0	206/0
CONS GOLD	885/0	130.0	130.0
COOKSONS	523/0	187.0	187.0
COURTAULD	337/0	187.0	187.0
DALGETY	312.0	186/0	186/0
DEE CEP	198/0	186/0	186/0
DIXONS	211.0	186/0	186/0
ENG CHINA	412/0	53.25	53.25
ENTER OIL	267.0	166/0	166/0
FERRANTI	86.0	187.0	187.0
FISONS	252.0	187.0	187.0
GEM ACCIO	830/0	187.0	187.0
GEN ELEC	163/0	187.0	187.0
GLAKO	980/0	187.0	187.0
GRANADA	290/0	187.0	187.0
GLOBE	136/0	187.0	187.0
GRAHAM MET	336/0	187.0	187.0
GUS A	985/0	187.0	187.0
GUARD RYL	862/0	187.0	187.0
GUN	302/0	187.0	187.0
GUINNESS	292.0	187.0	187.0
HAWTHORN A	545/0	187.0	187.0
HANSON	131/0	187.0	187.0
HAKER STO	64/0	187.0	187.0
HALEY	93.0	187.0	187.0
HILLSDOWN	282.0	187.0	187.0

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## International Bond Highlights

London—Chase Manhattan securities is cutting 19 of 120 positions in its Eurobonds, UK, government bonds and US treasuries business in a cost-cutting effort, a spokesman said.

London—Prudential Bache capital funding is withdrawing as a market maker in floating rate notes, making three traders redundant, a company spokeswoman said.

London—Ireland is issuing a 30 billion yen Eurobond due April 28, 1993, paying 5-1/8 pct and priced at 101-3/8 pct.

London—Sanken Electric Co Ltd is issuing a 100 min dir equity warrant Eurobond due February 4, 1993, paying an indicated five pct and priced at par.

## Interbank Rates

	CALL	ONE MONTH	THREE MONTHS
LDN	8-3/B 1/8	8-11/16 9/16	9-1/16 8-15/16
FFT	3.00/10	3.35/45	3.40/50
PAR	7-15/16 8-1/16	8-8/18	8-7/16 9/16
ZUR	1/8 3/8	1-7/8 2-1/8	2-1/2 2-3/4
BRX	4.75	6-9/16 11/16	6-9/16 11/16
ROM	6-5/8 10	10-1/8 10-5/8	10-3/8 10-7/8
ANS	4-3/8 4-1/2	4-1/4 4-3/8	4-3/8 4-1/2
TOK	3.5625 6250	3.7500 8125	3.8750 9575
ECU	6.25 6.50	6.43 6.56	6.62 6.75

## Interest Rates

Following are the average KD interest rates of local interbank transactions as reported by participants to Central Bank of Kuwait yesterday:

Period Bid Offered

Period	Bid	Offered
1 month	4-13/16	5-3/8
3 months	5-1/16	5-9/16
6 months	5-5/16	5-15/16
1 year	5-5/16	6

## BOMBAY

	PR CLOSE	OPEN	CLOSE	GNFC	37	36.75	35	NODIAKALI	6	--	--
ACC	168	176	173	GRATON120	--	--	--	MARDACHNIT	--	--	--
ABHDADV	--	--	--	GSFC	109	108	105	OKRAT	27.50	30	27.50
ABHDADV400	--	--	--	CLIPETRO	27	24	25	PREMAUTO	26.25	28	28
ANDHRA CEM	10.50	10	10.50	QUALITRON	103	102.50	99.50	RATHOD CO	96	96	95
ANDHRA VLT	--	--	--	NINDALOO	127.50	127	127	RATHODHOL	115	114	115
BAJAJ AUTO	501.50	510	500	HYD LAMPS	--	--	--	RELIANCE	22	21	22
BAK RAYON	168	168	165	IND ORG	56	54	55	SPIC	37	36.50	33.50
BAK DYING	110.50	109	106.50	INDRAYON	217.50	217.50	201.25	STOMEDICAL	--	13	14
BONBON STOCK PRICES	--	--	--	INDROL	40	38.50	39.50	STEELTUBE	--	10	10
BSE INDEX	448.15	--	--	ITC	187.50	--	--	TATA PAR	187.50	--	190
CENTURITSPG	707.50	710	697.50	ITC CO	--	--	--	TATACHEN	71	72	71
COLGATE	211.25	210	207.50	JK 120	--	--	--	TATAOIL	66	63	65
DEEPAKERT	37	35.50	35.50	JKSYNTN	67	67	63	UDAIPHOSPH	--	--	--
DHARCMET	--	--	--	L AND T	86	91.50	89	TELCO	362	365	365
FICOM ORG	--	--	--	MAGNAHARD	--	--	--	YOL	280	285	285
GARMPOL	84	83	83	MAHINDRA	53	61.50	59.50	VOLTAS	--	--	--

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## TOKYO

STOCK	LAST	PR-CLOSE	CLOSE	HITSU CP	0	999	HITSU EL	0	565	--	--
AJII	0	3070	3070	HITSU EST	0	1690	HITSU HVY	0	560	--	--
AKAI ELEC	0	447	447	HITSU HVY	0	560	HITSU OO	0	645	--	--
AOKI	0	960	960	HITSUKOSHI	0	1480	HITSUKOSHI	0	1050	--	--
ASAHI GAS	0	1740	1740	HICHICON	0	1310	HICHICON	0	758	--	--
ASAHI OPT	0	537	537	HIKO SEC	0	3090	HIKO SEC	0	1550	--	--
BANK TOKYO	0	1340	1340	HOLY LAND	1.25	1.15	HOLY LAND	1.25	1.15	--	--
BRIGESTON	0	1230	1230	HONDA CEM	0	2130	HONDA CEM	0	2130	--	--
CANON	0	983	983	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
CASIO COMP	0	1220	1220	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
CHUGAI MNG	0	1450	1450	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
CITIZEN W	0	585	585	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
COMMERBANK	209.0	215.5	215.5	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
CONTI GUMM	195.7	203.0	203.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
DAIMER BEN	575.5	597.0	597.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
DEUTSCHE BMK	404.3	421.0	421.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
DLW	295.0	300.0	300.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
DRESDNER 8	229.5	235.0	235.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
DT BARCOCK	154.5	163.0	163.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
FAB INDEX	415.91	425.99	425.99	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
GOLDSCHMID	226.0	232.0	232.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
GUTENOFF	0	0	0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
HARPEMER	379.0	383.0	383.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
HOECHST AG	245.5	253.0	253.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
HOSCHI	90.5	94.5	94.5	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
HORTEN	155.0	156.0	156.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
HUILLI SALZ	117.0	119.8	119.8	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
KARSTADT	393.5	407.0	407.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
KAUFHOF	372.5	384.5	384.5	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
KLECKE W.	87.8	91.0	91.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
LINDE	524.0	540.0	540.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
LUFTKANSA	152.8	157.0	157.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
MANNESMAN	105.5	110.5	110.5	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
NERCDES	465.0	482.0	482.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
METALLGES	214.0	224.0	224.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
MIXDORF PF	578.0	600.0	600.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
NOKSY HYD	39.10	42.70	42.70	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
PHILIP KON	617.0	622.0	622.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
PORSCHE	402.5	438.0	438.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
PREUSSAG	111.0	116.0	116.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
PIA	167.0	173.0	173.0	HONDA IND	0	1100	HONDA IND	0	1100	--	--
REICH	213.5	21									

No plan to go on election-year spending spree, says Feldt

STOCKHOLM, Jan 11. (UPI): Swedish Finance Minister Kjell-Olof Feldt today presented a tight budget proposal, saying he refused to go on an election-year spending spree in the face of an unruly domestic labour market and an uncertain world economy.

Feldt said the 353.3 billion-krona (\$59.4 billion) draft budget, which for the most part lacked new programmes, was intended to keep the economy healthy -- not to fish votes for the Sept. 18 election.

Moderate

Urging labour unions to be moderate in the ongoing wage talks, the Social Democratic finance minister said high wage increases would backfire by damaging the economy and in the long run produce unemployment and lower real wages.

Another reason for keeping the budget for fiscal 1988-89 tight was the problematic world economy and lack of political measures to cure the imbalance in the trade among the United States, Japan and West Germany, the finance minister told a news conference.

The draft budget was a wait-and-see proposal until the domestic and international scenes crystallised, commented Swedish Radio, predicting vote-getting programmes would be announced closer to the election date.

Optimistic

Nevertheless, Feldt's budget was optimistic about the outlook for Sweden's inflation and budget deficit, predicting the rise in price levels to be 3 per cent this year, down from 5-6 per cent in 1987.

The budget deficit would continue to decline to 12 billion kronor (\$2 billion) or 1.5 percent of Gross National Product, which is only one tenth of the deficit's proportion to GNP in 1982, the proposal showed.

On the bad side, Feldt estimated that the GNP, a measure of economic growth, would increase by only 1.9 per cent, compared to 2.3 per cent for 1987, and that the balance of trade deficit would more than double to 12 billion kronor (\$2 billion).

Jaguar sales surge

LONDON, Jan 11. (AP): Jaguar PLC said today that sales of its luxury cars rose 14 per cent in 1987 from the year before and said it is pressing ahead with plans to boost production by 17 percent in the current year.

The decision to boost 1988 production to 56,000 cars from 46,000 last year was taken despite a downturn in US sales.

Jaguar sold 22,919 cars in the United States in 1987, down 6 per cent from 24,464 cars the year before.

Jaguar said sales declined in the United States because the new XJ6 model wasn't introduced until mid-year.

In Europe, where the new model was introduced at the start of the year, sales rose strongly.

British sales rose 46 per cent to 11,102 cars, while on the continent, sales rose 51 per cent to 6,350.

Worldwide, Jaguar sold 46,612 cars compared with 40,971 in 1986.

There were particularly strong gains in Italy, France, Canada and Japan, the company said.

The company expects to sell 26,000 cars in the United States in 1988, 13 per cent more than last year, said a Jaguar official, who wasn't identified according to British practice.

The company was encouraged by December's sales, which at 2,848 cars were the second highest monthly figures ever recorded in the United States and were up 6 per cent from the same month a year ago, the official said.

Europe gets Indonesian coal

THE HAGUE, Jan 11. (Opeca): The first Indonesian coal ever to be exported to Europe arrived in Rotterdam early this month, according to the Indonesian embassy here.

The shipment, amounting to 37,000 tonnes, was part of the first overseas sales of 150,000 tonnes by Kalim Prima coal, a foreign contractor operating in East Kalimantan for the Indonesian state coal company, Tambang Batubara.

Other customers for Indonesian coal are Hong Kong and Japan.

Kalim Prima coal will increase its output to six million tonnes a year by 1991.

Dollar eases slightly

Markets keep their nerve, Wall Street erratic

LONDON, Jan 11. (Reuter): European foreign exchanges and share markets held their nerve today afternoon as Wall Street moved erratically in early trading.

But the mood was jittery with many players waiting on the sidelines for some clearer direction from the influential US market which opened mixed, rallied, headed lower and then rallied again in the first 90 minutes of trading.

Up-and-down

"New York's sharp up-and-down moves are keeping people out of the market. It's very nervous," said one London dealer.

The dollar eased slightly after US shares weakened, but it stayed above the morning lows which it had touched before several central banks bought dollars to halt its slide.

Dealers in New York said the US Federal Reserve had entered the foreign exchange market in

early American trading to buy dollars for marks. Earlier, European dealers said the Swiss, West German, Italian and British central banks had also intervened after Bank of Japan buying in Asia's trading time.

As the dollar weakened, the gold price rose. But it was fixed in London this afternoon at \$483.90 an ounce after closing on Friday at \$482.25.

The intervention has taken the speculation out of the market," one dealer for a US-based bank said. He added that without central bank help the dollar would be dropping. "All fundamentals look distinctly bad for the dollar," he added.

Subdued

Dealers said trading was likely to remain subdued until the release of US trade figures for November on Friday.

In late afternoon, in Europe the dollar was trading at 1,6347 West German marks and 128 Japanese yen after closing in

London on Friday at 1,65 and 129.05. It had finished earlier in Tokyo at 1,6429 marks and 128.50 yen.

Europe's markets, still haunted by memories of "Black Monday" in October, were having their first trading session since a 140-point Wall Street plunge on Friday. Superstitious investors noted this was the 13th week after the crash of '87.

Lower

But the dollar held its ground at lower levels and European share prices moved in a narrow range after the news that the US market was moving erratically.

An hour and a half after it opened, the Dow Jones Industrial average was 6.46 points up at 1917.77.

Dealers reckoned that if there was a sharp fall in the US market today then European markets might lose their resolve.

"Investors are not too worried over a one-day drop in the US but if it rolls over into two days

they will lose heart," one London dealer said before the US market opened.

London dealers had warned that if shares on Wall Street fell sharply today a far heavier wave of selling than that this morning would hit the London market tomorrow.

Unchanged

The London Financial Times Stock Exchange (FTSE) index of 100 leading shares, which opened at a low of 1,725.7 points compared with a close on Friday of 1,773.4, was 1,753.1 points prior to Wall Street's opening at 1430 GMT. It was virtually unchanged an hour before its close at 1,753.6.

Several markets closed sharply lower on low turnover with the All-Share Swiss index 4.5 per cent below Friday's close. Prices in Belgium, Italy and Norway also showed hefty falls.

Except

Brokers said the extent to which Asian and European markets follow America down, and in turn perhaps influence Wall Street later, may depend on how far the dollar can hold on to its recent gains despite renewed worries about the US economy.

Before European business began, Tokyo, the world's biggest stock market, fell 294.13 points -- a modest 1.29 per cent -- to 22,578.43 points. Hong Kong's Hang Seng index was down 59.87 points, or 2.4 per cent at 2,400.80.

Oteiba lashes out at oil firms with a poem

ABU DHABI, Jan 11. (AP): UAE Oil Minister Mana Saeed Oteiba has pushed through his attacks on foreign oil companies that seek to undercut Opec's fixed oil prices with a poem likening them to the Islamic figure Abu Jahl. An English translation of the Arabic poem was released by his office today.

The term Abu Jahl is a synonym in Arabic for "Father of Ignorance" after an uncle of Prophet Mohammed (PBUH) was likewise named for refusing to accept the Islamic call. He died on the battlefield fighting the Prophet and his teachings.

Implied

The poem implied that the foreign companies would meet the same fate for refusing to accept the principle that Oteiba has put out in the name of the United Arab Emirates -- "the (oil) price is fixed... take it or leave it."

Oteiba has affirmed that repeatedly since the ministerial council of the 13-nation Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries agreed in December to uphold the \$18 price per barrel of benchmark crude oil.

Sources close to Oteiba said the poem was written at the coastal resort of Ghantoot last Friday following a telex he received on New Year's Eve from a foreign oil company shareholding in the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company.

Several foreign companies of different nationalities are involved and it was not clear to whom Oteiba was referring.

Expressed

Oteiba has often expressed his views on the oil situation in poetry since the market began weakening in the early 1980s and prices began to slide down.

One verse read:

"What sort of inspiration was it you derived  
"that night when the telex from Abu Jahl arrived,  
"before the weary year had departed, weighed down  
"with the oil curse, or even before the new sun shone.  
Explaining the text of the cable was a request for a price cut, he replied:

"thus Opec has spoken without obscurity,  
"should you try to cheat us and slip in a goblet  
"filled with the infusion of poison, no cup  
"will touch our lips."  
And in another part:  
"o partner, who wouldn't deviate from transgression  
"go back to history to learn a good lesson...."

Call to regulate real estate in line with stock exchange

BADER AL SUMAIT, the deputy director general of Kuwait Real Estate Company, appealed to the government to regulate the real estate market following the same method applied to the Kuwait Stock Exchange market.

He requested that a computerised monitoring system to control trading activities and stressed the need to suspend the issue of building permits for investment and commercial speculation from the first of this year to 1990.

Al Sumait said that the real estate market had successfully passed through the economic recession which had affected the national economy in general and expressed hope that the market would improve and become more active during the New Year.

Activity

The director-general said that since Sept. 1987, the market had been quite active, especially in the private housing sector, with real estate prices rising by 40 per cent in certain areas compared to last year.

He added that the local economy continued to show vigorous growth, which was apparent by its survival during the recent stock market crisis.

Al Sumait said that prevailing prices were normal but that high prices were beyond the normal limits in that range. He added that real estate prices in the Yarmouk area were equivalent to prices in Shuaikh and Dahieh areas because of population density.

He stressed the need for a regulating system to control business in the market for brokers by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, which would solve some of the problems faced by brokers.

Finally, Al Sumait expressed hope that the implementation of the unified GCC economic agreement would improve the market situation in particular and business in the region in general.

Sterling strengthens

THE US dollar started the week lower under the rumours of another large trade deficit for November and the sharp fall of the US stock prices last Friday. However, the markets hesitated to sell the dollar aggressively as they feared further fall of the dollar would lead to another coordinated heavy central bank intervention.

News on Friday that the US unemployment dropped to 5.8 per cent in December from 5.9 in November had little impact on trading.

Short-covering helped the dollar to rise slightly in the Far East but came under pressure by the time Europe started trading.

In Hong Kong the US unit opened at 1,6420/30 marks against New York's 1,6380/90 close and it rose to 128.58/68 yen from Tokyo's opening of 127.90/128.00 and New York's 128.30/40 close.

Most of the Asian traders seemed cautious in establishing positions either way and awaited the outcome of Japanese Prime Minister Takeshita's visit to Washington and November's US debt due date on Friday.

The dollar began in Europe well below Friday's finish in lively trading, in line with the downturn in New York on last Friday.

In Frankfurt the dollar was quoted at an opening 1,6375/85 marks after closing on Friday at 1,6510/20 here and at 1,6380/90 in New York. Against the yen the dollar started in London at 128.02/12 yen, against its close on Friday at 129.05/20 here and at 128.30/40 in New York.

In Tokyo it finished the day at 128.50 yen.

Sterling meanwhile, opened firmer at a trade-weighted 75.5 from Friday's final 75.3, having strengthened on the weaker dollar. The currency dealers attention focused on UK producer price data for December for any indication they may provide on inflationary forces in the economy.

London midday dollar quotes were:

Stg: 1,8215/25

Dmk: 1,6360/70

Sfr: 1,3360/70

Yen: 128.15/25

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Banks may hike personal loans

KUWAIT'S banks are reviewing a proposal to raise the amount of personal loans from the present KD 4,000-5,000 limit to a maximum of KD 15,000, according to reliable sources.

Banks expected to increase their personal loan facilities by 20 to 25 per cent this year, they said. More and more people are seeking personal loans because business houses are selling discounted products.

It is now better to pay cash than buy on instalments, encouraging people to take personal loans from banks, they explained.

Other reasons that personal loans are less risky for banks, which are having trouble getting back commercial loans, particularly due to the recent economic changes and recession.

From experience, bankers feel that personal loans are "more guaranteed than other types of credit." A sharp drop in local trade and the shrinking real estate market have contributed to the bank's decision.

Brazil hopes for pact to ease debt pressure

RIO DE JANEIRO, Jan 11. (UPI): Brazil, reeling under a \$116 billion foreign debt, hopes for an agreement similar to one announced recently between Mexico and the United States to ease the pressure. Finance Minister Miltinho Nobre said in an interview published today.

Brazil does not have sufficient foreign reserves to duplicate the plan under which Mexico buys up to \$2 billion of US treasury bonds and uses them to underwrite a much greater amount of its own bonds, which in turn are exchanged for existing debt.

"Brazil is not in such a comfortable situation, but it will have to try for something close to what which Mexico achieved, which was a good accord," Nobre said in the interview published in *Vega* magazine.

making adaptations as need be, he said.

Nobre said that, unlike previous negotiations, Brazil will not make public its detailed demands before placing them on the table.

He said Brazil is willing to sign an agreement with the International Monetary Fund regarding internal economic policies and to negotiate all aspects of its debt terms similar to Mexico's.

Finance Ministry sources said Brazil will not resume full interest payments until banks agree to a refinancing plan for at least part of the estimated \$35 billion falling due through 1993 on medium and long-term loans.

In February 1987 Brazil stopped paying interest on its roughly \$70 billion medium and long-term debts. It blamed falling exports for a lack of foreign

GOVERNMENT TENDERS

Notice No. 208/87 -- Auction No. 5/87/88 -- Utilisation of the rooms in the Central Slaughter House for melting animal fats and cleaning of limbs and intestines.

The Municipality of Kuwait invites offers for the above sealed envelope auction in conformity with the conditions stated in the auction documents.

Contractors individuals or companies registered in the Commercial Register and the Kuwait Chamber of Commerce & Industry for 1988 and specialised in such field may collect the auction documents and a copy of registration at the Central Tenders Committee for 1987-88 or receipt of registration at the Ministry to collect the specification of the bidding against an non-refundable fee of KD 5. The closing date for submitting offers shall be 12 noon.

Monday, 18.1.1988.

MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS & LABOUR

Bidding No. 32/87/88 -- Purchase of medical bed of medium and large sizes and bedside cupboards

The Ministry of Social Affairs &



A MAN walks along a track leading to the former Tolg monastery which has been donated to the Russian Orthodox Church. The former monastery, which is of immense architectural and historical value, is being restored by the Yaroslav Eparchial Board. The monastery will eventually be used as an annunary by the church in the Soviet Union. (Reuter wirephoto)



THE Patriarch of Jerusalem, Nazareth-born Michel Sabbah received the Sacred Pallium from Indian Cardinal Simon D. Lourdesamy, Prefect of Oriental Churches at a service in the Vatican yesterday. (Reuter wirephoto)



ISRAELI riot policemen drag to their van a Palestinian arrested during an anti-Israeli demonstration in East Arab Jerusalem on Sunday. (Reuter wirephoto)



A PLAINCLOTHES policeman arrests one of the alleged goons who stormed the five-star hotel Silahis International on Monday. At least six employees were wounded and 32 hired goons were arrested. (Reuter wirephoto)



PHILIPPINE President Corazon Aquino makes a "laban" (fight) sign during a local elections campaign rally for her candidates in Las Pinas, a town outside Manila, on Monday. (Reuter wirephoto)



VIOLETA CHAMORRO (left), publisher of the opposition newspaper, La Prensa, greets supporters during a Mass in Managua on Sunday, marking the tenth anniversary of the assassination of her husband, Pedro Chamorro, killed by agents of the dictator Anastasio Somoza. His murder sparked uprisings that led to the Sandinista Revolution that deposed Somoza. (Reuter wirephoto)



TENNESSEE Senator Albert Gore, who is seeking the Republican presidential nomination, takes aim while shooting clay pigeons on a campaign stop on Sunday in New Hampshire. (Reuter wirephoto)



SOVIET Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov (left) arrived in Sweden yesterday for a four-day visit. He was met by Swedish Prime Minister Ingvar Carlsson. The two will discuss Baltic Sea territorial rights. (Reuter wirephoto)



ALEXANDER DUCEK (left), the man behind Czechoslovakia's "Prague Spring", is seen in Wenceslas Square, Rome, December, 1987, after an interview with Renzo Foa, deputy editor-in-chief of Italian newspaper L'Unita. At right are two unidentified men. (Reuter wirephoto)



CURIOS Peking residents walk through a Chinese style gate and past an eight-metre-high pagoda made of ice as they wend their way through an exhibition of 140 ice sculptures that opened Monday in the city's Beihai Park. The sculptures were made by artists from the city of Harbin in China's northeast which is famous for its annual ice festival. (Reuter wirephoto)



PICTURE above shows West German Christine Endrigkeit, 27, who has been arrested for having planted a bomb in West Berlin's disco "La Belle" on April 5, 1986. A wooden cross has been placed across from the disco (left) today where two US servicemen and a Turkish woman were killed and 200 injured. (Reuter wirephoto)



SOVIET leader Mikhail Gorbachev (right) meets with new Czechoslovak Communist Party leader Milos Jakes yesterday for talks on their countries' domestic and foreign policies. (Reuter wirephoto)

## Pollution knows no boundaries

## Concern for environment unites East, West Europe

By William Echikson

HELSINKI: When East German leader Erich Honecker recently travelled to Bonn, he rebuked most West German demands, saying "socialism and capitalism are like fire and water." But he agreed to increase cooperation on the environment.

The story's moral is clear: While East and West Europe talk a different, hostile language on most issues, they understand each other's concern about environment.

Bilateral environment pacts are becoming common. After signing its agreement with East Germany, Bonn initiated a pollution pact in October with Czechoslovakia, while under another treaty, Austria and Hungary share information on ecological problems.

Multilateral East-West negotiations also have led to progress. Witness the worldwide agreement signed this September in Montreal to reduce chlorofluorocarbons, the propellants in aerosol sprays.

Inside Europe, 32 countries from both East and West signed a path-breaking treaty in 1984 to reduce sulphur emissions by 30 per cent. According to Finnish officials chairing the negotiations, the same East-West group is close to reaching a new agreement to reduce nitrogen oxide.

"Ecology is a 'safe' issue," explains Aira Kalela, director of the International Affairs Division of the Finnish Ministry of Environment. "It doesn't provoke East-West conflicts like human rights."

"Pollution knows no boundaries," adds a Hungarian diplomat. "Against it, there are no effective fences, Checkpoint Charlie."

Scandinavia illustrates the problem. Officials in both Finland and Sweden say about two-thirds of acid rain comes from abroad, much of it from Eastern Europe. The pollution threatens their forests, a major industry in both countries.



"For the Nordic countries, what happens in Poland, East Germany, Czechoslovakia isn't an abstract issue," says Markku Wallin, an environmental specialist at the Central Organisation of Finnish Trade Unions. "It directly affects our health — personal and economic."

Despite the economic logic, it took a long time to force these ecological concerns across the ideological divide. In 1972, Sweden presented to the UN a case study on sulphur's negative impact on the forests. Further scientific study proved the Swedish case, but practical progress only came in 1979 in the follow-up talks to the Helsinki security accord.

"(Former Soviet leader Leonid) Brezhnev asked himself, 'In what area could we all cooperate?'" recalls Ms Kalela. "Environment was the answer."

## Prescient

The Soviet timing was prescient. The state of the environment was becoming a topical issue in Western Europe, particularly in pivotal West Germany. The sulphur talks quickly moved to completion, though serious obstacles hinder further progress. But Washington's attitude worries the Scandinavians. The Reagan administration refused to sign the sulphur agreement. It claimed it would compromise sensitive bilateral negotiations on the issue with Canada, and remains

hesitant about the proposed nitrogen oxide agreement.

"On the one hand, the US has done a lot to reduce pollution on car emissions," says Lars Bjorblom of the Swedish Ministry of Environment. "On the other hand, the administration always is scared of making multilateral commitments."

One of the most pressing problems for Soviet-bloc countries is funding cleanup. Poland says it cannot afford to meet the sulphur accord, and other communist governments that are investing large sums to fight sulphur complain about the cost of reducing nitrogen emissions.

One solution would be for the richer Western countries to pay. It would be cheaper and more effective for Finland or Sweden to help finance the fight against pollution in Poland and East Germany than at home.

"Since we have a lot less pollution than in Poland, we must spend a lot more than they to lower pollution levels," explains Kalela, the Finnish diplomat. "But politically it's difficult to justify paying for projects abroad."

Another problem is technology transfer. Though Western filters for coal-power plants guarantee a 40 per cent to 50 per cent cut in nitrogen-oxide emissions, East European equipment only produces a 10 to 15 per cent reduction. Before they sign an accord, the East Europeans want the West to donate its anti-nitrogen technology, a request the West refuses out of financial and security considerations.

"At a certain stage in the negotiations, we always find ourselves in front of the CoCom restrictions," says a Hungarian diplomat, referring to the Coordinating Committee on Export Controls, a Western organisation that restricts transfer of high-technology materials to the Soviet bloc. "But the main question is, as usual, who pays?"

The Christian Science Monitor

By Myra MacDonald

LUXEMBOURG. If you eat bananas, live high above sea level, travel frequently by air, or tend towards vegetarianism, you are probably increasing your exposure to radiation.

Natural background radiation, in food, in the air, and in the ground, affects everybody to varying degrees, may be associated with cancer, and is generally impossible to control.

Scientists point this out to allay persistent fears about radiation aroused by last year's Chernobyl disaster, which killed 31 people and sent a cloud of radioactivity across Europe.

Many scientists say that if the increase in radioactivity caused by Chernobyl were put in perspective against natural radiation, everyone would be much less worried.

Even in the year after Chernobyl, the estimated total dose of radiation received by people in Europe is less than 10 per

## Scientists point to natural causes to allay fears

## Radiation in the air, ground, and food affects all

cent of the dose received every year from natural background radiation, Geoffrey Webb of the British National Radiological Protection Board told a conference in Luxembourg this month.

He said the calculation was based on estimates, established by worldwide scientific consensus, of the risk of getting cancer according to amount of radiation exposure.

Against that, about 1,000 people will die from cancers caused by the Chernobyl accident.

## Pale

And both figures pale into insignificance compared to a predicted 30 million cancer deaths in the EC over the next 50 years caused by smoking and other factors.

The problem is that (nuclear power) is a political issue as much as a scientific issue," one source at the EC executive commission in Brussels said.

"People are more willing to accept much higher levels of risk from things they know,

like car accidents. Or they accept a risk when it is something they can control themselves like smoking," he added. "People are just not prepared to accept any risk from nuclear power."

Scientists therefore can only estimate the risk of low-level radiation, basing their assumptions on studies of victims of high-level radiation such as the survivors of the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945.

But British doctor Robin Russell-Jones told the conference that recent research in Japan showed scientists may have underestimated by up to eight times the effects of radioactivity on the bomb survivors.

To keep on the safe side, the EC executive commission has proposed much stricter limits on radioactive contamination in food than those suggested by its own scientific experts.

Another problem facing politicians is that scientists can make only an estimate of the risks of low-level radiation.

Cancers caused by low-level radiation are impossible to separate from cancers caused by smoking and other factors,

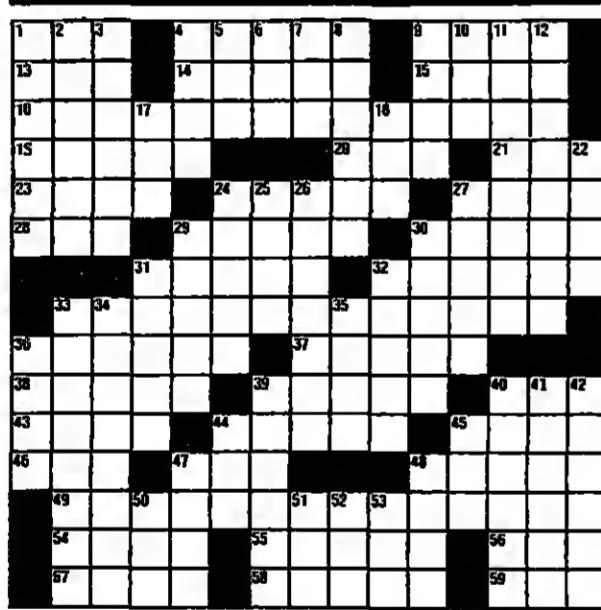
which in fact it is

not," Russell-Jones said.

Environmentalists also accuse scientists of using natural radiation as smokescreen to distract attention from the dangers of nuclear power.

"They try to give the impression that natural radiation is harmless, which in fact it is not," Russell-Jones said.

## TODAY'S CROSSWORD



ACROSS  
1 Turpin or Kingsley  
4 Dispatch boat  
9 Galileo, e.g.  
13 Composer Brian  
14 Within the law  
15 Life-threatening  
16 Start of a quote  
19 Source of the quote, with "The"  
20 Trigger tidbit  
21 Broke bread  
23 Namesakes of a Gabor  
24 Highbanded  
27 "— a Rose": 1925 song  
28 Electrical unit  
29 Window decor  
30 Author of "rags-to-riches" books  
31 Rest, at sea  
32 Atlantic salmon  
33 More of the quote  
36 Raps  
37 Tearful one of myth  
38 Sped  
39 Like some eyes  
40 Monogram of the quoted author  
43 Rent—  
44 San Diego playboy  
45 Mattie, Felipe or Jesus of baseball  
46 Wall St. unit  
47 Crew  
48 Strict fiddler?  
49 End of the quote  
54 "What's — for me?"  
55 Put on cloud nine  
56 DC-based org.  
57 Gambler's throw  
58 Extend a subscription

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:  
DIALAI ETNA TWO'S  
ADRA PAUL HONE  
RUN INTERFERENCE  
TAGS RENT ACTED  
WERE YOGA  
TRI DAST PASHAS  
SANDSTORMS TENT  
ANDES RUE SLATE  
REES STRAPPED IN  
SEEDERS OLLA MCS  
RATE ANNA  
SMITH ANTI DSSA  
TAKES A GIANT STEP  
DDDR PENN SIEVE  
PENS TREK ERRED

## GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF

GIVE ONE, GET ONE

North-south vulnerable. South deals.

**NORTH**  
♦ Q 97  
♥ 7 5 3 2  
♦ A 9 5  
♦ 10 9 6

**WEST**  
♦ J 4 3  
♥ K 10 8  
♦ Q J 8 4 2  
♦ 7 4

**EAST**  
♦ 8 2  
♥ A J  
♦ K 10 6 3  
♦ Q J 8 5 2

**SOUTH**  
♦ A K 10 6 5  
♥ 9 6 4  
♦ 7  
♦ A K 3

The bidding:  
South: 1 ♠  
West: 1 NT  
North: 2 ♠  
East: 3 ♠  
4 ♠  
Opening lead: Seven of ♠

Many a defensive rose is born to blush unseen. This one was found in the post-mortem, not over the table, but it is too good to be kept hidden.

North dredged up a heart raise on the strength of his double fit and outside ace. South's decision to do no more than bid game was a trifle

conservative—a slam try of four clubs was hardly likely to bring grief.

West got his side off to an excellent start by leading a club, attacking declarer's weakness. The nine was covered by the king and taken by the ace, and declarer returned a low trump. West followed low and East won the jack, but the club weakness was now safe from further attack. Declarer was eventually able to get one of dummy's clubs away on his spades, and ended up losing only three trump tricks.

Look what would have happened had West shot up with the king on the first trump lead. That seems to cost a trick, but watch how the play unfolds. West can now set up a club trick for his side by leading the suit, since East has a tenace over dummy. Now when East gains the lead with the ace of trumps, he first cashes a club to complete the defensive book and then continues with a fourth round of clubs. West's ten of trumps becomes re-established, en passant, as the setting trick.

If this defense had been found at the table, there would have been no need to look any further for the best defensive hand of the year.

## THE WIZARD OF ID



By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart

## B.C.



By Johnny Hart

## YOUR STARS



Aries (March 20 - April 18)

The Moon's more favourable influence coupled with that of Jupiter will help you to keep out of trouble. You will be successful in a field where success has hitherto eluded you.



Taurus (April 19 - May 19)

You would do well to take a little more interest in your personal appearance. Your intuitive powers will be more acute, but you should still rely more on reason. Do not leave all the loving to others.



Gemini (May 20 - June 20)

You should keep calm even in the face of provocation. You must not divulge something told to you in confidence. You should be on your guard against someone who is trying to deceive you. Be resilient.



Cancer (June 21 - July 21)

Instead of being so insistent that you are right, listen to those who are intent on proving you wrong. You will be able to make better progress in a practical matter.



Leo (July 22 - Aug. 21)

You have no time to lose. The prospects are good but you must not jump to conclusions. You should not divert your energies dealing with secondary matters. Be less prejudiced.



Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 21)

You should try to be a little more patient. You ought to avoid doing anything that you know would be on your conscience. You are a little too inclined to believe things are as you would like them to be.



Libra (Sept. 22 - Oct. 21)

This is not a good day on which to make a major decision; try to postpone it until tomorrow. Make sure you do not leave anything you have started half unfinished.



Scorpio (Oct. 22 - Nov. 21)

You will be able to make good progress in dealing with a practical matter. You should ensure you do not spend more than you can readily afford. Give your partner a treat. Be moderate.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

The prospects with an important matter are pretty good. You should not do anything in a certain way, only because you are used to doing it that way. Give others a chance. Be a little more affectionate.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

You will have to make sure that you do not leave some detail out of account. Try to avoid doing anything that would strain your eyes. Avoid losing your temper with someone who is proving to be a little bit obnoxious.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

The prospects with an important matter are pretty good. You should not do anything in a certain way, only because you are used to doing it that way. Give others a chance. Be a little more affectionate.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 19)

You should use force only when you have to and persistence has not been entirely successful. You should not allow work to encroach upon your private life.



"We found him hiding in a laundry basket."



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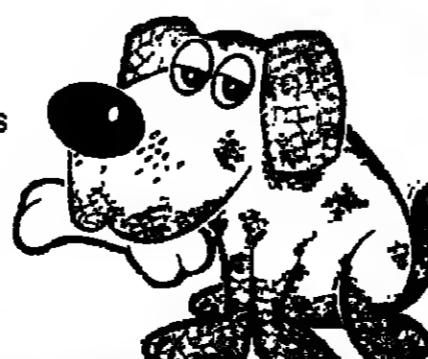
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TOYOTA Corolla, 77, 2 doors, with AC, radio, registered upto Sept '88, manual, in good condition. KD 230. Tele Mr Amanullah, 4834655 Ext 436. 7 am - 4 pm. (AT2-40520-2)

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## SPORTS

## NBA ROUNDUP

## Kings and Bucks triumph

NEW YORK, Jan 11. (AP): Roundup of National Basketball Association games last night:

Kings 109, Supersonics 108

Sacramento rookie Kenny Smith scored 16 points and added 10 assists, including a behind-the-back pass that set up Otis Thorpe for what proved to be the winning basket. The Kings edged the Seattle Supersonics 109-108 in the game in Sacramento.

Reggie Theus, who led the Kings with 25 points, said Smith made "three of four big inspirational plays down the stretch" that spurred the Kings' comeback.

"Kenny can do a lot of things and tonight he got us going," Theus said.

One of those key plays was an out-of-bounds save that Smith threw over his shoulder cross-court to Joe Kleine, who took it in for a layup.

Smith said forcing Seattle to make defensive decisions was the key to his success.

Harold Pressley added 17 points for the Kings, while Dale Ellis topped Seattle with 30 and Tom Chambers added 27.

Bucks 105, Nets 87

Milwaukee handed New Jersey its 13th consecutive road loss and 21st straight since last season.

Sidney Moncrief scored 17 points and Terry Cummings 16 for the Bucks, who lost three of their previous four home games.

Milwaukee hit 22 of 38 shots in the first half and used a 16-4 run to build a 49-29 lead with 2:46 left. The Nets, who trailed 53-38 at halftime, got as close as 77-68 early in the fourth quarter after scoring seven consecutive points.

Standings

Atlantic Division

Boston 21 10 .677 GB  
Philadelphia 16 15 .516 5  
New York 11 21 .344 10-1/2  
Washington 10 20 .333 10-1/2  
New Jersey 6 25 .193 15

Central Division

Atlanta 24 8 .750  
Detroit 19 9 .677 3  
Chicago 14 13 .513 4-1/2  
Milwaukee 17 13 .566 6  
Indiana 15 15 .500 8  
Cleveland 15 17 .469 9

Midwest Division

Dallas 20 10 .667  
Houston 18 13 .581 2-1/2  
Denver 19 14 .576 2-1/2  
San Antonio 14 16 .467 6  
Oklahoma City 9 23 .435 6-1/2  
Sacramento 2 23 .281 12

Pacific Division

LA Lakers 25 6 .806  
Portland Trail Blazers 20 11 .645 5  
Seattle 18 15 .545 8  
Phoenix 11 19 .367 3-1/2  
LA Clippers 8 22 .267 16-1/2  
Golden State 5 23 .178 18-1/2

Soviet skiers win 40 km relay race

MOSCOW, Jan 11. (AP): The Soviet Union's No. 1 team finished first in the World Cup 40-kilometre skiing relay race yesterday with a time of 1:41, 41 minutes and 20.35 seconds, the Tass news agency reported.

Second place was taken by the Soviets' No. 2 team in 1:41:46.86, and Sweden was third in 1:43:14.97.

The Soviets' winning team included Alexander Batyuk, Vladimir Sakhnov, Vladimir Smirnov and Alexei Prokurov.

In the women's 20-kilometre relay race, the Soviet No. 1 squad took first place in 56:55.06 seconds, followed by Norway in 57:07.07 and the Soviet No. 2 team in 57:39.06.

## Dutchman sets chess record

THE HAGUE, Jan 11. (Reuter):

Dutch chess player Hans Bohm

set a world record in simultaneous chess today by playing 560 games in 25 hours, a tournament official said.

Bohm, 36, played on 12 boards

## NOAH FIGHTS BACK TO EDGE AMERICAN

## Cash ignores demonstrators to beat Muster

MELBOURNE, Jan 11. (Reuter): Pat Cash's recent working visit to South Africa returned to haunt the Wimbledon champion as the Australian Open Tennis championships began in his home city of Melbourne today.

Anti-apartheid demonstrators briefly interrupted the number four seed's first-round match against Austrian Thomas Muster by hurling a volley of black rubber balls on to centre court at the new National Tennis Centre.

Cash ignored the interruption, and the cluster of placards condemning his participation in the South African Open last November, to dispose of the left-handed Muster 7-5 6-2 6-4.

Save

Ivan Lendl, Martina Navratilova and Chris Evert also cruised through to the second round without losing a set although Lendl, the number one seed, had to save a set point against little known Australian Bryan Roe.

However, American Paul Annacone, seeded 13, and Diana Balesrat, the number 14 women's seed, fell at the first hurdle.

In temperatures of 40 degrees Celsius, Frenchman Yannick Noah provided the most exciting action of the day, a familiar mixture of panic and perfection in five hours and five sets against American Roger Smith.

Noah, who only decided last Wednesday to play in this first tournament since mid-November, looked totally out of touch as he lost the first sets on the new rebound ace surface.

The dreadlocked fifth seed fought back to 2-2 and then put on a gala show of volleying pyrotechnics as he saved two match points in the final set.

Noah, still feeling a groin strain, finally broke Bahamian-born Smith's serve in the 29th game of the set to run out a 6-3 5-6 4-6 2-6 16-14 victory.

Number two seed Navratilova



Noah plays a backhand volley in his first-round match. (Reuter wirephoto)



An anti-apartheid demonstrator holds up a placard. (Reuter wirephoto)

eased past Australian Elizabeth Minter 6-3 6-0 in the cool of the evening while Evert, seeded third, scored a 6-4 6-0 win over fellow-American Gretchen Mager.

Balesrat blew her chance of launching the new centre of Australian tennis with a home victory, going down to unheralded American Wendy Wood 6-2 4-6 6-4.

Lendl, a 6-3 7-6 6-2 winner, suffered only one hiccup against Roc when he blazed a forehand millimetres long to go 4-3 30-40 down in the second set. The Czechoslovak-born American argued the linesman's call strongly but calmed down to win the next point, the game and the subsequent tiebreak, 7-1.

Cash took some time to get used to the bounce on the scorching artificial surface but looked to be approaching top form late in the match against Muster.

But Cash was fined \$500 for an audible obscenity after his first service was called out on the point before his first and only matchpoint.

## Results

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## Nomads travel to Abu Dhabi

KUWAIT Nomads 1st XV travel to Abu Dhabi this weekend for only their second Gulf Merit Table match of the season, knowing that defeat will almost certainly mean the loss of the Gulf title.

However, defeat is something the Nomads will not consider, and the selected side will be confident of overcoming an Abu Dhabi side whose strength lies in its massive front five.

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In a domestic match at Fintas on Thursday, the Blues and the Whites fought out an honourable 12-12 draw in very difficult conditions.

Peter Jones takes over from Hutchinson to lead the 2nd XV against Al Ain 1st XV, where the Nomads have performed well in recent seasons. The 2nd XV is very much an experimental side, with several players making their debuts for Kuwait or playing in unfamiliar positions, but with places to fight for in the 2nd XV Gulf Cup semi-final next month, commitment is likely to be intense.

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## SPORTS

INDIA REACH 308 FOR SIX ON FIRST DAY

## Kapil canes West Indies for ton



Kapil: hit century off 105 balls

KT Club changes dates of rally season

By Gail Seery

THE Motorsports Division of the KT Club announced yesterday that they have now agreed to change the start and finish dates of the car rally season. Formerly the season ran from January to October, with a long break in the summer, when it was simply too hot to hold events in the desert. Now, however, the season will run from September to April, with the new champion being crowned at the end of the season.

The 1988 season gets underway with its first rally on January 15. The season will then continue until April 1989. There will be nine events, including two international rallies, the first of which will be held on March 17 & 18 this year. Drivers must enter one of the two internationals, and will be able to scratch the results of two events, one of which must be an international. The points from the one international kept will be doubled. This means that seven out of the 9 results will count towards the Champion-ship.

## Observed

The following season will start in September 1989, and end in April 1990. A club spokesman pointed out that Kuwait was the first country in the Middle East to run its rally season in this way, but observed that it was a common sense measure and that he expected other clubs to follow suit.

Drivers can expect more thorough scrutineering, and even health checks in future, as the newly elected committee of the Motorsports division is determined to see that events are run correctly with driver and co-driver safety always uppermost in mind.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

## Director quits

BARCELONA, Spain, Jan 11. (UPI): The sports director of Barcelona's 1992 Olympic Organising Committee stepped down today following a probe into his private financial situation, officials said. The committee, headed by Barcelona mayor Pascual Maragall, announced the resignation of Antonio Lopez as sports director but gave no details of its investigation into reports of his misuse of funds.

## Formula One

ROME, Jan 11. (Reuters): A new Italian Formula One motor racing team, called 'Scuderia Italia' (Team Italia), said today that they planned to race in the 1988 World championship. Team Italia will race a Ford-Cosworth powered car designed by Giampaolo Dallara, and will name a driver later this month. They said they hoped to run two Grand Prix cars in 1988.

## French squad

PARIS, Jan 11. (AP): Henri Michel, coach of the French national soccer team, today announced his selection to play a series of friendly international matches, beginning in Tel Aviv Jan 27 against Israel. Other matches of the tour include Feb 2 in Toulouse against Switzerland and either Austria or Morocco Feb 5 in Monaco.

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MADRAS, India, Jan 11. (Reuters): Kapil Dev lifted India's spirits with a brilliant, attacking century on the first day of the fourth and final Test against West Indies today.

A crowd of 20,000 rose to cheer Kapil just before the close when the all-rounder reached his sixth Test hundred, made off only 105 balls and including 17 fours.

His innings rescued India from a precarious 156 for five on a wicket which had already started turning. By the close they had reached 308 for six with Kapil unbroken.

The former Indian skipper received valuable support from Test debutant Ajay Sharma with whom he put on 113 for the fifth wicket.

West Indian captain Viv Richards broke the stand by trapping Sharma leg before with a quicker delivery. His 30 included five fours.

Earlier, the West Indian pace attack of Courtney Walsh and Winston Davis had sent India tottering to 62 for three after Ravi Shastri had won the toss.

and decided to bat first.

Krishnamachari Srikkanth, who had moved quickly to 23, was first to go after miscuing a ball off Walsh to Davis at mid-on.

Mohinder Amarnath followed soon afterwards, caught behind for three by Jeff Dujon off Walsh, while Davis picked up the scalp of another debutant, Venkat Raman. The left-hander edged a late swinging delivery from Davis into Dujon's gloves when he had made nine.

Mohammad Azharuddin took charge of the innings at this stage, gathering quick runs with a series of cover drives after lunch. He was dismissed for 47, well caught at backward short leg by Desmond Haynes to the applause of the entire West Indian team.

**Scoreboard**  
INDIA first innings:  
K. Srikkanth c Davis b Walsh ..... 23  
M. Amarnath c Dujon b Hooper ..... 69  
M. Venkat Raman c Dujon b Davis ..... 9  
M. Azharuddin c Haynes b Hooper ..... 47  
A. Sharma lbw b Richards ..... 30  
R. Shastri not out ..... 103  
Extras (0-11 lb-2 nb-5) ..... 18  
Total (4 wickets) ..... 308  
Fall of wickets: 1-30 2-38 3-62 4-153 5-156 6-269  
To bat: K. More, A. Ayub, N. Hirwan

Bowling to date: Patterson 8-1-33-0, Walsh 19-1-59-2, Davis 13-0-67-1, Dujon 22-4-58-0, Richards 8-1-36-1, Hooper 12-3-42-2.

West Indies — V. Richards (captain), D. Haynes, R. Richardson, A. Logie, G. Hooper, J. Dujon, W. Davis, C. Walsh, P. Patterson, C. Butts, P. Simmons.

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## No easy rides in Euro-championship

DUESSELDORF, West Germany, Jan 11. (Reuters): No team can expect an easy ride into the semifinals of the 1988 European Soccer Championship whatever the outcome of the draw for the eight-nation finals tomorrow.

The line-up for the tournament in West Germany from June 10 to 25 is arguably the strongest ever for the finals of the competition.

## Inevitably

"There are too many genuine favourites. Just about any of the teams could become European Champions," West German manager Franz Beckenbauer said.

As hosts and twice winners of the tournament in 1972 and 1980, the West Germans inevitably start as top favourites and the team most others will be anxious to avoid when the two groups of four are decided by tomorrow's draw.

But the names of three other previous title winners — Italy, Spain and Soviet Union — are lurking dangerously along with potential champions England, the Netherlands and Denmark.

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But though teams will not complain to find the Irish in their group, nobody is expecting Jack Charlton's team to be pushovers.



Piotek

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